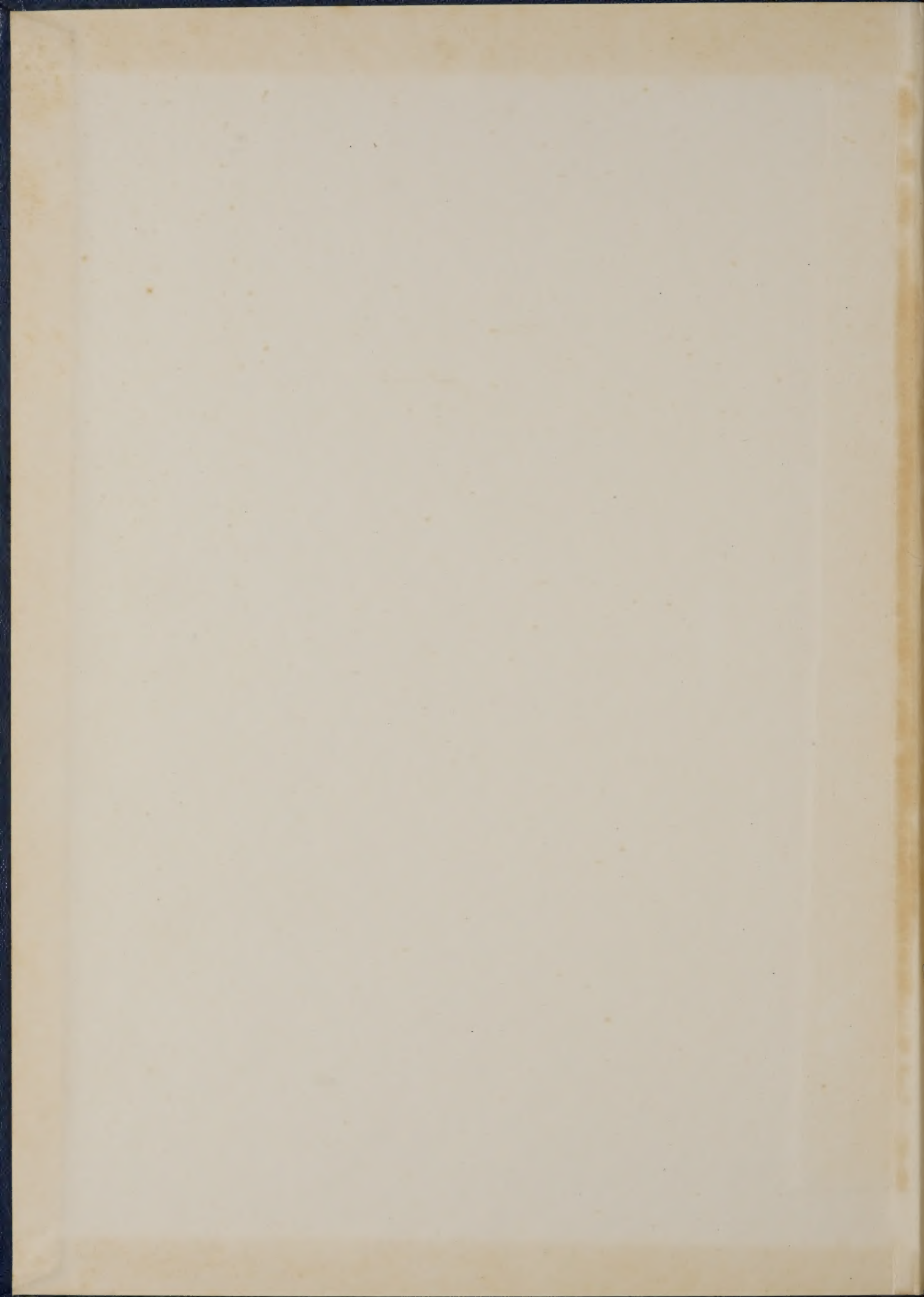


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# *Foreword*

A BOOK of this kind cannot be a product of the labors of a single individual, nor even a small group of individuals. This book has many contributors who must share the blame for its defects, or the credit for its merits. It is doubtful if a book of this kind could have been produced in any other way. For example, the script for each of the departments and activities of the Church has been prepared by the responsible head of that particular department or activity. In all cases, able and willing assistants have been used to help with the writing and the arrangement of material, but the final script submitted is presumably that which the active head of the department or activity approves.

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An effort has been made to give proper credit to contributors at proper places throughout the book, but in many cases this has not been practicable. After all, a book such as this must be a labor of Christian love which does not expect any reward for its good deeds. We thank all whose labor of heart and head and hand has gone into the production of a book which we hope will become more valuable with the passing of each year of the next fifty years. At that time we transmit to others the task of taking up where we leave off.

THE EDITORS







# *Memorial Ode*

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH  
Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 27, 1904

*by*

WILLIAM HURD HILLYER

In ancient sequence moves the certain round  
    Of seasons, with their miracles of change—  
Autumn and winter, spring and summer-time,  
    And each recurring cycle, by some strange  
Harmonic impulse, as when rhyme with rhyme  
Stirs the remotest provinces of sound,  
Or when the plangent cadence of a song  
    Wakens old multitude of smiles and tears,  
Thrills with vast vibrant memories, along  
    The spiral of the years.

Once more we stand where met that earnest few,  
    That band of faithful gospellers who came  
To plant on this loved spot a citadel  
    Of God. Steadfastly trusting in His name,  
Foundation deep they laid and builded well—  
Buttressed by faith and arched with doctrines true.  
Twainscore and ten the autumns that have rolled  
    Athwart the heavens, but unwavering,  
Here humble servants of the Master hold  
    An outpost for their King.

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We unto whom the sacred trust descends  
Of keeping whole that which our fathers reared—  
Not lofty-towered edifice alone,  
Nor pulpit by sweet memories endeared—  
But that house which outlasteth wood and stone—  
We whom the risen Lord at first called friends,  
Then “son and daughter”, “brother, sister”—we  
Whom Christ hath chosen, shall we fear or fail,  
When evil flourisheth, and cowards flee,  
And selfish cares assail?

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For us relentless conflict with the foes  
That bar the kingdom of Immanuel—  
The spirit-blinding powers of the air.  
For us the story that the lilies tell,  
For us the daily strength of secret prayer.  
And, often as these carven portals close  
To shut from tired ears the earthly strife,  
Be this the firm petition of our band—  
That ever, as of old, O Lord of Life,  
Thou in our midst may stand.

Thou in our midst, *and when this church shall round  
The greater cycle of the hundredth year—*  
When all who tread these aisles today are dust,  
Save that an honored remnant may appear,  
Grant that some faithful souls who toil and trust  
Here gathering for worship may be found:  
Brave, wise and gentle, steadfast to endure,  
Not by the temptings of the world enticed;  
Walking as those who with calm eye and pure  
Behold the risen Christ.

*Note: The ringing words of Mr. Hillyer's beautiful ode, written fifty years ago, are accepted as a challenge and a trust transmitted from our forefathers, and herewith follows:*

# *Our Response*

*by*

WM. E. BROUGHER

Brig. General, U. S. Army, (Retired)

1954

“Thou in our midst!” And now the hundredth year.  
The century has gone, and with it went  
The mood and tempo of the former years.  
That “honored remnant”, by the poet foretold,  
Has dwindled with the march of ruthless time.  
Some choice spirits from that faithful few  
Are with us still. And others we have seen  
Fall in their tracks, like soldiers planting colors  
On some hot-contested hill. Fall in their tracks  
And toss to others, closing in, the banners which  
They bore. And ever the ranks were closed!  
For when each one had tottered to his rest,  
His vacant place was taken by a score.  
The Church was crowded to its bulging doors.  
New churches then were built in chosen spots.  
New branches sprouted from the mother vine.  
Two troubled streams converge, and then unite  
To form a mighty tide. With broad dimensions,  
Deeper flow, it eddies toward a distant sea.  
“Brave, wise and gentle, steadfast to endure”—!  
Well, not so gentle now, nor wise perhaps,  
But steadfast in that same sustaining Faith,  
We offer what we have, and consecrate  
Our greater numbers, our more ample means,  
To that same end for which our Fathers built.

GOD BLESS OUR CHURCH! Be this our sacred tryst,  
Where troubled souls who come to pray  
Behold the risen Christ.



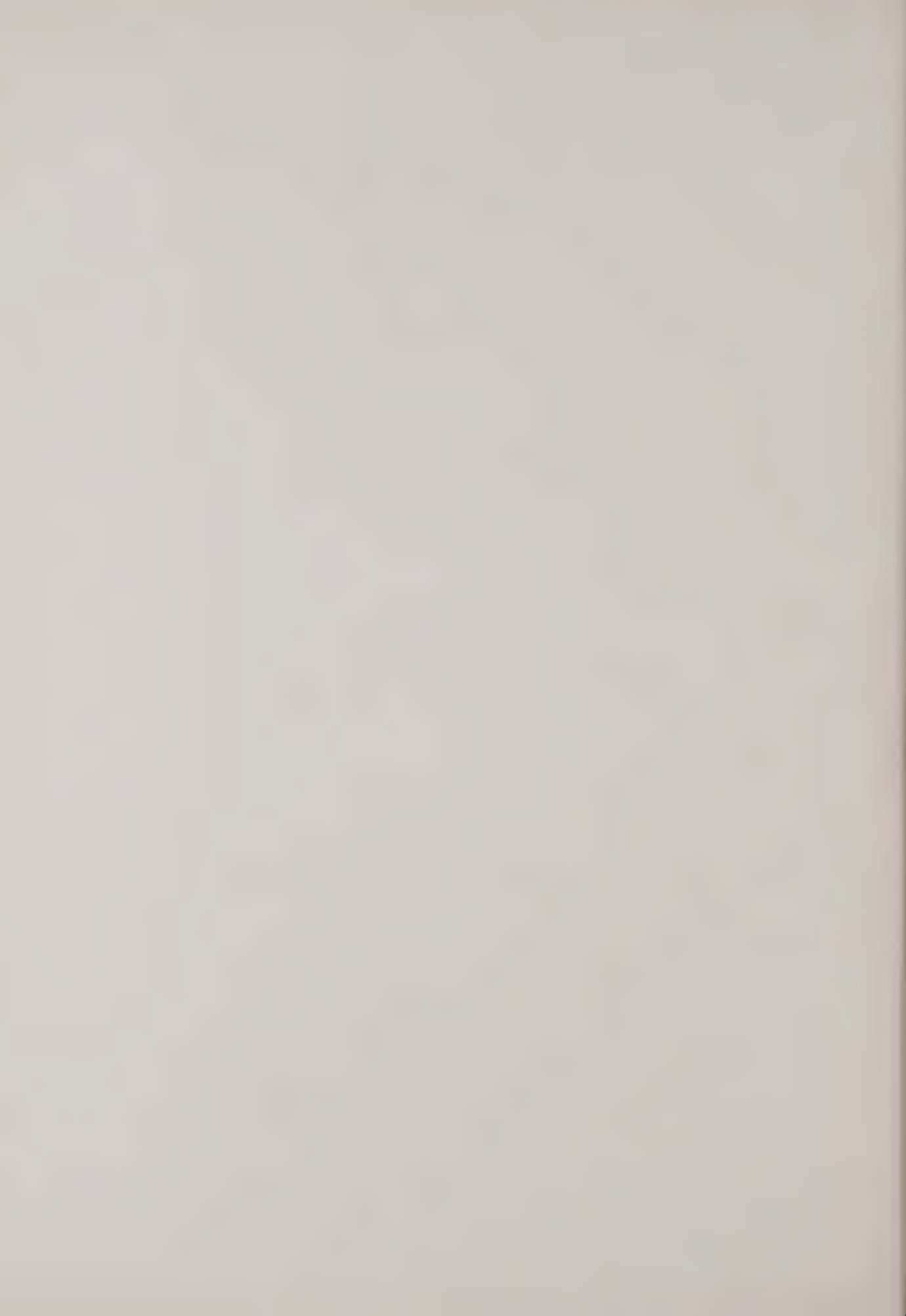
# *Our Church*

*by*

MELISSA WOLFF

The Bride of Christ, arrayed in purest white,  
She stands upon a hill, a beacon light!  
Her tall and graceful spire she lifts on high,  
A finger pointing to Him beyond the sky.  
Her sanctuary wide as Christ's embracing arms  
Refuge affords from all this world's alarms.

Her beacon sheds its light to all around,  
Her ministries and mercies far abound.  
Her energies, her strength, her flag unfurled,  
To bring the love of Christ to all the world.  
Her bell peals forth, its sabbath message sends:  
"Come one, come all, for peace that never ends!"





# "OUR CHURCH"

*As described by the architect who designed it, Mr. George H. Bond, A. I. A.*

MANY of our good American citizens, after having lived or traveled abroad, have been heard to remark that "there is no tradition or background in our American architecture and one has to go to Europe where there are centuries of tradition back of all the old masterpieces of design." That is probably true as to cathedrals or large public buildings, palaces, etc., because our country being young, the principles and beliefs of our ancestors who founded the Republic did not encourage construction of such buildings.

There are, however, at least four types of architecture that may be classed as distinctly American. Those types are, the adobe house of the Southwest, the Dutch farmhouse of Pennsylvania, the Southern Plantation manor house and the old meeting house of the Atlantic Seaboard.

Probably the oldest existing structure of the last named type is old St. Luke's, near Smithfield, Virginia. This old brick and wood structure was built in 1632 and is entirely English in its design and construction. The Latin influence in design followed many years later, after the country had become peopled to a larger extent. St. Luke's was designed and built by one Joseph Bridger, whose son later became General Joseph Bridger, a Councillor of State in Virginia to King Charles II, and an important man in the Colony.

The plan of this old church seems to be the forerunner of the "Meeting Houses" built for the next two hundred years: Tower and vestibule in front; church auditorium, with pulpit and Pastor's room in the rear.

During the 17th Century there was built a number of churches of this type, but very few remain today; among them the old "Ship Meeting House" at Bingham, Massachusetts, "Gloria Dei" at Philadelphia, and "Old Swede's" at Wilmington, Delaware. St. Peter's, at New Kent County, Virginia, was built soon after 1700.

From the beginning of the 18th Century we have many fine examples of early American churches. This period seems to have been exceptionally "booming" in all classes of construction and especially in church building. A great influx of colonists, many of wealth and influence, and a growth in material resources, resulted in considerable prosperity for the young nation, and with prosperity appeared a religious tolerance heretofore unknown. Many new religious sects were formed and as time progressed these sects required larger and more pretentious places of worship.

Toward the latter half of the 18th Century a new discontent arose through-

out the Colonies. The newly erected places of worship became meeting places for secular and political groups as well as for the religious congregations that built them. As the Revolution approached it caused Old North Church in Boston, also Old South, in the same city; St. Michael's, in Charleston, and St. Peter's, in Philadelphia, to have almost as much political and patriotic history as ecclesiastical prestige, if not more. Hence, throughout the land the "Church" became the "Meeting House". The congregation of Old North, in Boston, took such active part in the Revolution that the British burned the wood in it for fuel during the siege of Boston, in 1775-76.

On account of the trade and commerce begun by the New England States, shipbuilding became a major industry. Many skilled workers came to New England to work in the shipyards and chief among them were the carpenters. As the places in the shipyards were filled and as the demand for buildings grew, many ship carpenters became house builders. Some of these carpenters were men of training and education, and a few of them had received training in the offices and shops of architects and builders in Europe. Most of them had visited Europe and had been attracted by the Renaissance of the arts there.

It is said that one William Price had been an apprentice in the office of Sir Christopher Wren, the great London church architect. Price designed Old North, in Boston, when it was rebuilt after the Revolution and for many years it was thought that Sir Christopher himself had designed it. The First Baptist Church at Providence, Rhode Island, was designed by a Mr. Joseph Brown, in 1775, an educated and traveled man and a trustee of Brown University.

Most of the charm of the old meeting houses throughout New England is due to the skill and ingenuity of these Yankee shipbuilding carpenters and students of the Higher Arts who turned architects and builders during times when work in the shipyards was slack or because there were no professional architects available. Apparently St. Michael's, in Charleston, South Carolina, was the only old church of the period not designed by a native of the section. This building was designed by James Gibbs, Architect, of London. The original buildings at the University of Virginia were designed by Thomas Jefferson, according to old records there.

So the evolution of the Old Meeting House has brought to us today a type of building that is truly American and, curiously enough, with certain modifications and adaptations, this type still fills our needs and requirements when we come to build a modern church edifice. Most all of us are affected by the sincerity and charm of this type of design. Ruskin says that good architecture is "frozen music," so perhaps these old Meeting Houses can be termed our architectural heritage and their melody has lingered on to remind us now of the faith and sincerity of our hardy ancestors many years ago.

The Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church has had its inspiration from several old New England meeting houses. The general arrangement of the



plan, the entrance, or "breast", the spire, and the window and cornice treatment have been the result of studying such old buildings as those located in Middlesex, Connecticut; Dorchester, Massachusetts; Lenox, Massachusetts; First Baptist, in Providence, Rhode Island; Trinity, in Newport, Rhode Island; and Old North and Old South, in Boston. The interior treatment and balcony has had its inspiration in the following: First Presbyterian, Sag Harbor, New York; First Presbyterian, Newark, New Jersey; North Church, New Haven, Connecticut; First Baptist, Providence, Rhode Island, and others.

Sizes are as follows: The building is seventy-one feet wide and one hundred sixty-seven feet long, including the Sunday School. The spire rises to a height of one hundred sixty feet above Peachtree Street. The ceiling of the Auditorium is sixty-eight feet wide and eighty-seven feet long and the balcony projects thirteen feet inwardly on both sides. The height of the ceiling from the floor level in front of the pulpit is thirty-six feet and the auditorium floor slopes three feet from vestibule to floor level at pulpit.

In addition to the Sunday School Class Rooms now provided and to be provided in the existing building, there will be twelve classrooms and two assembly rooms on the fourth floor of the new addition. The Pastor's Study and office, Church Administration office, Choir Room and a Chapel thirty-three feet by fifty-three feet will be located on the third floor (roof of existing Sunday School). The present structure will be remodeled to provide: Young People's assembly room; six Young People's classrooms; six Adult classrooms, and ladies' parlors, rest rooms, etc.

The total Sunday School capacity will be about 1,500 students.

The church auditorium will seat as follows: Main Floor, 812; Balcony, 418; Choir, 44; total, 1,274.



DR. MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR., *Pastor*, 1945-

# Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.

Dr. Swilley has been pastor since October 1, 1945, coming to us from the First Baptist Church of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. He is a native of El Dorado, Arkansas, and earned the Bachelor's Degree from Ouachita College, which is the Baptist college of Arkansas. He holds the Master of Theology Degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. During several summers he studied at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, and one summer at the University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland. In recognition of his ability and achievements his Alma Mater, Ouachita College, has conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

When Dr. Swilley came to Second-Ponce de Leon he found a membership of some 2500 that had already outgrown the physical facilities, and he immediately began a program of expansion. A Survey and Planning Committee was appointed to study the needs of the church, and this committee brought a recommendation on October 9, 1946, "that the building committee have tentative plans drawn for a new building and such alterations to the present building as might be necessary."

Looking toward the time when an additional church might be needed north of Buckhead to care for the spiritual needs of this rapidly growing community, the church authorized the purchase of a lot (about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  acres) at the corner of Wieuca and Peachtree Roads at a special conference held April 2, 1947.

At a called conference of the church held March 13, 1949, the purchase of adjacent property ( $5\frac{7}{10}$  acres, known as the DuBose property) was approved to provide for expansion of the church facilities—more than doubling the ground area of the church property. Remodeling of the residence on the purchased property converted it into the present parsonage; and a parking lot which will accommodate 275 cars was constructed on this property.

In 1951 a contract was let for the construction of the Chapel Building, which was completed and dedicated on January 25, 1953. This building is three stories in height, and has a total of 14,000 square feet on each floor. There is also a basement which contains heating and air-conditioning rooms, the Building Superintendent's workshop, and an unfinished recreation area.

During Dr. Swilley's ministry the membership has grown to more than 3600. Under his leadership the church staff has been enlarged, and the Sunday School enrollment—which exceeds 3500—now leads the state of Georgia. A growing Youth Program, under the sponsorship of the Recreation Committee, was instigated by Dr. Swilley. All types of sports and recreation, including competing basketball and softball teams, have been promoted; and a full Scout program is under way. A recreation building (which includes a pine paneled room and kitchen) was erected on the church property.

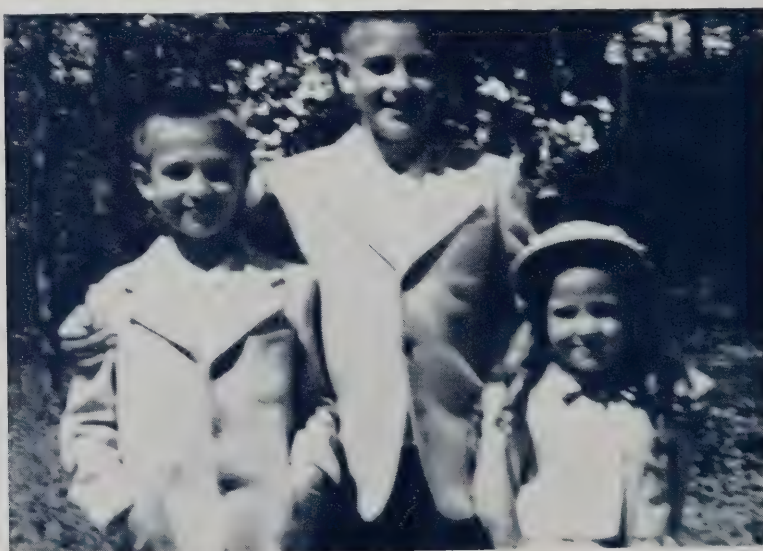


Records reveal that on October 1, 1953, which began the ninth year of Dr. Swilley's ministry, there had been more than 2,000 total additions by baptism, letter, and statement. Total gifts and contributions during this same period amounted to in excess of \$2,000,000. The church budget increased from \$114,000 in 1945, to \$431,000 in 1954, bringing the church to the front among the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention in per capita gifts.

Also during Dr. Swilley's ministry two new churches have been organized: the Oglethorpe Baptist Church on March 20, 1951, and the Wieuca Road Baptist Church on July 11, 1954.

In denominational life Dr. Swilley has been outstanding. He has served as a member of the Executive Committee, Georgia Baptist Convention; Chairman of the Administration Committee, Georgia Baptist Convention; Chairman of the Georgia Baptist Education Commission; member of the Executive Committee of the Home Mission Board; Vice-president of the Foreign Mission Board. He has also served as President of the Atlanta Christian Council and is a periodical writer for the Sunday School Board. On two occasions he has gone abroad on special preaching missions: to Hawaii in 1950, and to Japan in 1952. Dr. Swilley was elected to preach the Convention Sermon at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, Florida, in 1955—one of the youngest men in the history of the Convention to be so honored. He is listed in the 1954 edition of WHO'S WHO IN THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

Dr. Swilley's remarkable ministry in our midst will undoubtedly write one of the great chapters in the history of our church. His vigorous administration, dynamic preaching, and personal consecration to his task as our leader have brought new heights of achievement in every phase of the life of the church. He is endeared to the congregation, as is Mrs. Swilley and their three children: Monroe F., III; Grover Curtis; and Pamela.



Grover, Monroe III, and Pamela Swilley

# *Our Pastors*

## *Second Church*

Rev. Charles M. Irwin	1854-1855
Rev. T. U. Wilkes	1855-1858
Rev. John T. Clarke	1858-1861
Rev. William T. Brantley	1861-1871
Dr. Albert T. Spalding	1871-1881
Dr. Henry McDonald	1882-1900
Dr. John E. White	1901-1916
Dr. Henry Alford Porter	1916-1923
Dr. Carter Helm Jones	1924-1928
Dr. Edwin M. Poteat	1929-1931
Dr. Ryland Knight	1931-1932

## *Buckhead Church*

Rev. A. T. Peacock
Rev. R. W. Edenfield
Rev. Chauncey W. Foote
Dr. J. H. Fuller
Dr. Weston Bruner
Rev. W. J. B. Upshaw
Rev. Geoffrey C. Henschelwood

## *Ponce de Leon Avenue Church*

Dr. Junius W. Millard	1905-1909
Rev. Arthur Hale Gordon	1910-1917
Dr. M. Ashby Jones	1917-1926
Dr. Luther Rice Christie	1926-1932

## *Second-Ponce de Leon Church*

Dr. Ryland Knight	1932-1945
Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.	1945-to present.

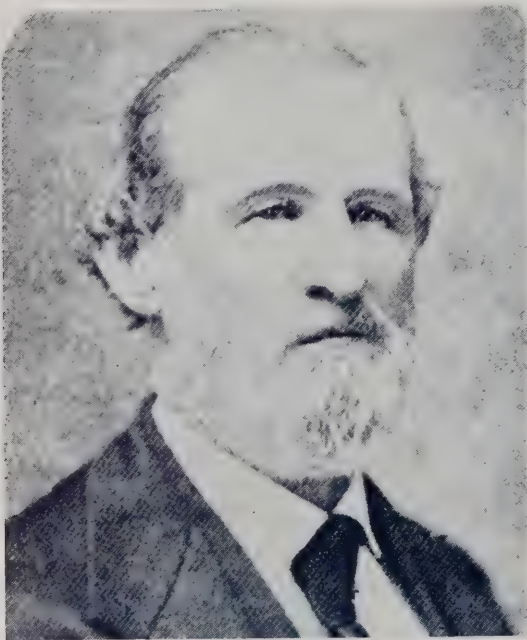
# *Pastors of* THE SECOND-PONCE DE LEON BAPTIST CHURCH AND PARENT CHURCHES

## *Second Baptist Church*

### REV. CHARLES M. IRWIN

1854 - 1855

REV. CHARLES M. IRWIN was the first Pastor of the church, serving for less than one year. Domestic affliction compelled him to retire for awhile from active service, but upon regaining good health he lived a long and useful life, working with the State Mission Board.



REV. CHARLES M. IRWIN

In May, 1861, with the Rev. Samuel Boykin, of Macon, Georgia, he purchased the Christian Index and served as co-editor with Mr. Boykin until the paper was sold to Mr. J. J. Toon, of Atlanta, in 1866.

### REV. T. U. WILKES

1855 - 1858

REV. T. U. WILKES was the second Pastor, serving until August, 1858. The church building was completed and dedicated during his pastorate. He removed to Arkansas and died in 1866.

### REV. JOHN T. CLARKE

1858 - 1861

REV. JOHN T. CLARKE became Pastor on November 4, 1858, and served in that capacity for



REV. JOHN T. CLARKE

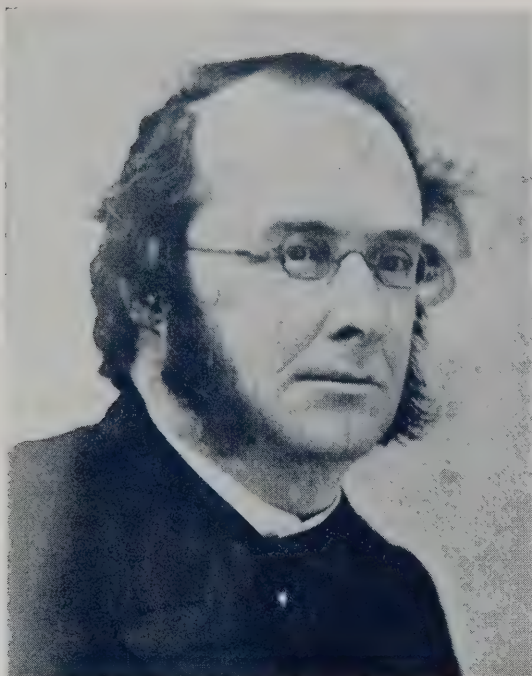
three years. He had a great leaning to the law, and after his resignation was admitted to the bar. He was a scholarly man and became a great jurist. He served the state for many years as judge of the Pataula Circuit.

### DR. WILLIAM T. BRANTLEY

1861 - 1871

DR. WILLIAM T. BRANTLEY, D. D., was called as Pastor in 1861 and served until 1871, resigning to accept the pastorate of the Seventh Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland, where he labored most acceptably until his death in 1882. With the exception of a short period, during which the membership was scattered on account of the





DR. W. T. BRANTLEY

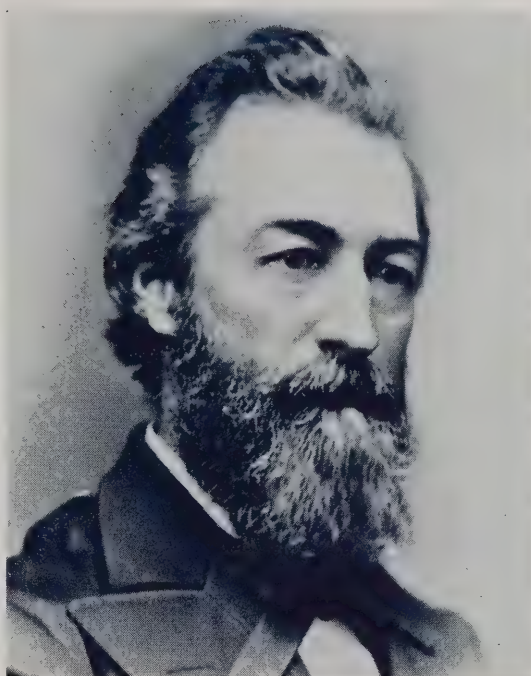
war, the church made great progress under his ministry. The membership was greatly increased and the church building was enlarged and thoroughly repaired, at a cost of \$20,000.00. The Third, Fourth, and Fifth Baptist Churches were organized. Elegant in manner, handsome in appearance, eloquent in speech, he was a charming man and a fine type of Southern gentleman.

## DR. A. T. SPALDING

1871 - 1881

DR. A. T. SPALDING, D. D., accepted the call of the church August 11, 1871, and served as Pastor until October 7, 1881, resigning to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Galveston, Texas. During Dr. Spalding's pastorate, the work of the church was reorganized, looking to a more effective church, with all of the membership taking a more active part in the work of the church. The church enjoyed a gracious season of revival, known as "The James Hall Meetings". The influence of these meetings extended over the entire city.

Mission stations were established at this time, out of which grew the Capitol Avenue, the Glenn Street, and the Temple Baptist Churches. Dr. Spalding was a fluent and interesting speaker and the congregations were large under his ministry. After a ministry of ten years in Galves-



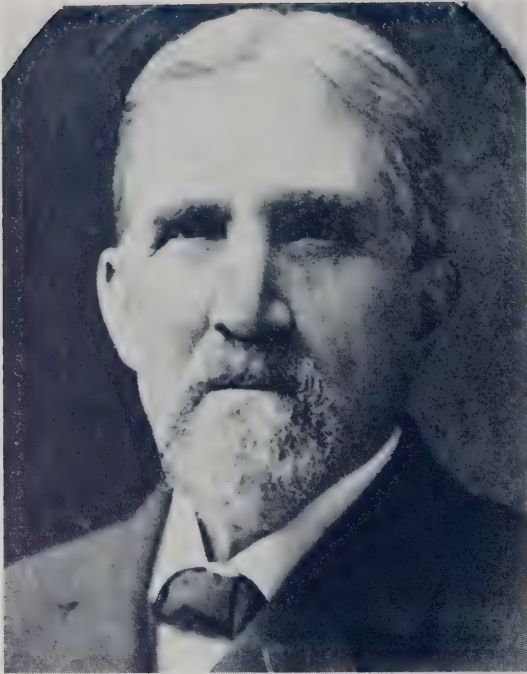
DR. A. T. SPALDING

ton, he returned to Atlanta and placed his membership in the First Baptist Church, but served for a number of years as temporary Pastor in the Mission Stations of the Second Baptist Church. He was a charter member of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church and continued as a member there until his death in 1921.

## DR. HENRY McDONALD

1882 - 1900

DR. HENRY McDONALD, D. D., was Pastor of the church from February, 1882, to February 1900. During his pastorate a handsome modern church building was erected, which, with its furniture and organ, cost \$114,000.00. About \$90,000.00 of this amount was paid during Dr. McDonald's pastorate. The church building was dedicated in October, 1893, the Dedication Sermon being preached by Dr. John A. Broadus, on the subject of "Fellowship of Labor". His sermon was greatly enjoyed by a large congregation. The church raised \$8,000.00 and purchased a pastorium for Dr. McDonald. Many gracious revivals and largely increased membership and contributions were the result of his ministry. He was the first Pastor in Georgia to respond to the appeal of the Southern Baptist Convention for the systematic collection of Mission funds, and he inaugurated the plan that secured from



DR. HENRY McDONALD

\$2,500.00 to \$3,000.00 for Missions, as against \$600.00 to \$200.00 to each of the three Boards—the amount previously contributed for several years. The church reached its highwater mark of usefulness under his ministry, and he was a great favorite in the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. McDonald, upon resigning, accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Shelbyville, Kentucky, where he served until his death on March 22, 1904. “In life he was enshrined in the hearts of our people, and in death was embalmed with their love.”

## DR. MALCOLM MCGREGOR

1900 - 1901

DR. MALCOLM MCGREGOR served the church as supply Pastor from March 21, 1900, to January 1, 1901.

## DR. JOHN E. WHITE

1901 - 1916

DR. JOHN E. WHITE, D. D., accepted a call from the church and began his ministry January 1, 1901. With the energy of youth, and a divine gift of oratory and persuasion, Dr. White threw himself into a campaign to accomplish the mission of the church in welding the congregation into a dynamic spiritual force, in the Master's cause. His magnetic preaching soon had the



DR. JOHN E. WHITE

Sanctuary filled at both morning and evening services. The debt of \$34,000.00 hanging over the church when he came as Pastor was soon paid off. The “pew rental” system of raising finances, still in effect at that time, was abolished and the envelope and Every Member Canvass manner of church financing was adopted. Where only 119 names appeared on the Treasurer's books as pew holders, under the new system, the first year, there were 643 individual subscribers to current support. In the first ten years of his pastorate, the membership increased from 778 to 1,322. The Capitol Avenue and Immanuel Missions were constituted into independent churches.

In October, 1906, the church purchased a lot 60' x 150', immediately in the rear of the church edifice, facing on Mitchell Street, for the purpose of expanding the Sunday School, at a cost of \$7,000.00, and on April 27, 1910, the church voted to begin the construction of an Educational Annex thereon. A movement to raise the necessary finances was begun and the Annex was completed and dedicated June 4, 1911.

At the annual Conference of December 13, 1911, there was formed the Men's League of the Second Baptist Church, the beginning of what is now known as the Men's Fellowship.

Dr. White resigned May 23, 1915, to accept the presidency of Anderson College and the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Anderson, South Carolina.





DR. HENRY ALFORD PORTER

## DR. HENRY ALFORD PORTER

1916 - 1923

DR. HENRY ALFORD PORTER was called as Pastor and accepted, to begin January 1, 1916. A native of Canada, Dr. Porter had previously served churches in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; the Walnut Street Church, Louisville, Kentucky; and the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church, in Dallas, Texas. Dr. Porter's ministry was marked by a series of revivals, adding greatly to the membership of the church, and expansion of the financial program of the church. The apportionment of the church was \$160,000.00 for the Seventy Five Million Campaign. The membership responded with pledges amounting to \$265,000.00. During his pastorate one member made a gift of \$100,000.00 to Mercer University. The balance of the indebtedness against the church was paid and a new organ installed, at a cost of \$20,000.00.

Dr. Porter resigned in November, 1923, to accept the pastorate of the Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri. A review of his ministry shows a net gain in membership of about 800. Offerings to all causes increased from \$16,-975.66 to \$76,585.63 to all causes for the year 1923.



DR. CARTER HELM JONES

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1924 - 1928

DR. CARTER HELM JONES was extended a call and accepted, to begin February 1, 1924, and served until October 1, 1928, resigning at that time to accept a call from the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana. Dr. Jones' pastorate was outstanding in its spiritual tone. A Virginian by birth and education, a deeply consecrated Christian, and possessing a command of the English language equalled by very few people, he preached to large and appreciative audiences throughout his ministry.

## DR. EDWIN M. POTEAT

1929 - 1932

Upon the resignation of Dr. Jones, Dr. Edwin McNeill Poteat, Sr., was asked to act as Supply Pastor until a permanent Pastor could be secured. On March 31, 1929, the church unanimously asked Dr. Poteat to accept the pastorate of the church. Dr. Poteat accepted the call and served until June 1, 1931, resigning because of his desire to give up regular pastoral duties, having reached the age of 70 years, and feeling that the balance of his useful years should be devoted to teaching.

During the brief pastorate of Dr. Poteat, the





DR. EDWIN McNEILL POTEAT, SR.

church celebrated its 75th anniversary. Dr. Poteat was known as a "preachers' preacher". He possessed a deep sense of the Divine mission of preaching the gospel and with most of his active ministry having been spent in teaching, principally in Furman University and the Baptist College in Shanghai, China, he had gained the true teacher's approach to the preaching and teaching of the Word.

Dr. Poteat was born in Caswell County, North Carolina, February 6, 1861. He received his A. B. degree from Wake Forest College, North Carolina, in 1881 and his D. D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1885. The University of South Carolina, in 1906, and Baylor University, in 1907, awarded him the degree of L. L. D.

Dr. Poteat was ordained to the ministry in 1884 and went to Chapel Hill, North Carolina, for his first pastorate. A year later he became assistant professor of ancient languages at his Alma Mater, Wake Forest. In 1888 he became Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, in New Haven, Connecticut. Two years later he went to the Memorial Baptist Church, in Philadelphia. From 1903 to 1918 he served as President of Furman University, in Greenville, South Carolina. He left Furman to become platform representative of the Layman's Missionary Movement and inter-church world movement for a year. Two years were then spent as departmental Executive Secretary of the General Board of Promotion of

the Northern Baptist Convention. From 1921 to October, 1927, he served as Professor of Philosophy and Ethics and in the Shanghai Baptist College. He returned to Richmond in 1927. From January until August, 1928, he served as Supply Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Atlanta. After resigning as Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, he returned to the field of education and for three years taught Ethics and Comparative Religion at Mercer University. From 1934 until illness overtook him in 1937, he taught New Testament and Christian Ethics at Furman University. He died in Durham, North Carolina, on June 26, 1937.

## DR. RYLAND KNIGHT

1931 - 1945

At the regular monthly conference of the church, held on April 8, 1931, a call was extended to Dr. Ryland Knight to become Pastor. Dr. Knight resigned as Pastor of the Delmar Avenue Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri, and



DR. RYLAND KNIGHT

accepted to begin June 1, 1931. Dr. Knight is a graduate of Princeton University, obtaining his A. B. degree there in 1896. He graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1899 and after a year of post-graduate work at the University of Virginia, in 1910, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity by that institution. Before coming to Atlanta, Dr. Knight had made an outstanding record in building churches.

For more than ten years prior to his coming, the tendency in Atlanta had been for the population to move out from the center of things to suburban areas where, to meet the needs of fast developing residential areas, new churches were established, thus to some extent cutting off the resources for normal growth of the downtown church. Recognizing this trend, a committee, after studying the situation reported (a) that there could be no further growth of a constituency congenial to the present membership of the church; and (b) that with the proper leadership and the loyalty of its membership to that leadership, the church could again enter upon a period of usefulness which would rival the best periods of its glorious past. On this premise, Dr. Knight quietly and diplomatically began his ministry and continued it until the merger with the Ponce de Leon Church was consummated. At the time of the merger and the election of Dr. Knight as Pastor the combined membership was just a few short of 2,300. There were two prob-

lems confronting him not usually found upon entering a pastorate: first to weld the two congregations; and second, to lead the church in completing the church edifice, to provide the facilities necessary to accommodate a congregation this size and allow a reasonable amount for normal growth of the church. A Building Committee was appointed to begin work on the second problem. Dr. Knight, with his consecrated pulpit manner, his daily contacts with the membership, his diplomatic handling of controversial issues that arose from time to time, piloted the church through the difficult months of adjustment.

Dr. Knight served as Pastor until February 1, 1945, resigning to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Pulaski, Virginia. During his pastorate the Sanctuary building was completed and the church acquired the house and lot on Wesley Road known as the Educational Annex.

## *Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church*

Although the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church on October 6, 1904, was organized and constituted into an independent church, for the first few months the work of the church was carried on by the congregation, without a Pastor. After the adjournment of the council constituting the church on October 9, 1904, the members of the church held an executive session, elected officers and Deacons of the church, and elected W. J. Northen as Chairman of the church.

### **REV. JUNIUS W. MILLARD**

1904 - 1909

On December 25, 1904, the church in conference extended a call to Rev. Junius W. Millard, Pastor of the Eutaw Place Baptist Church of Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Millard was born in Sampson county, North Carolina, January 23, 1870, and was baptized in 1884, in the membership of the Goldsboro, North Carolina, Baptist Church. He graduated from Wake Forest College in June, 1892, with the degree of master of arts, and from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1895, with the degree of master of theology (Th.M.). He was ordained in December, 1891, and while attending the Seminary at Louis-



REV. JUNIUS W. MILLARD

ville was Pastor of two country churches, one at Fisherville, Kentucky, the other being at Buffalo Lick, Shelby county, Kentucky. His first charge, after leaving Louisville in June, 1895, was in



Henderson, North Carolina, where he remained until June, 1896, when he entered upon his work as Pastor of the Eutaw Place Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland, one of the most prominent pulpits of the south. Mr. Millard accepted the call and began his ministry March 17, 1905. In April, 1905, a temporary tabernacle was erected on property on Piedmont Avenue, across from the church lot. Mr. Millard was a master of organization and inspired the congregation in the development of a church that would be spiritual, evangelistic and democratic. A church edifice was built and furnished, the first services being held in the completed Sunday School building on the first Sunday in May, 1906. In November, 1908, Mr. Millard's health gave way to such an extent that the church voted him a four months' vacation. In April, 1909, he returned, but after several months of effort, he was warned by his physician that he must lay aside his pastoral cares, so on the first Sunday in October, 1909, he resigned.

### REV. ARTHUR HALE GORDON

1910 - 1917

On January 16, 1910, the church extended a call to Rev. Arthur Hale Gordon, Pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Dr. John E. White, then Pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta, when introducing Mr. Gordon, said:



REV. ARTHUR HALE GORDON

"Arthur Hale Gordon was born in the seventies, being about thirty-five years of age. He graduated at the celebrated Boston Latin school, and then went to Harvard and graduated there in the A. B. degree in a class that numbered over five hundred. He took two years of Theology at Newton Seminary; then a year of study and work in the Moody Institute in Chicago; . . . a year in the famous Church College of Glasgow, with George Adam Smith, James Denny, Linesay, Bruce and others; supplementing the experience with extensive travel in the British Isles and on the continent."

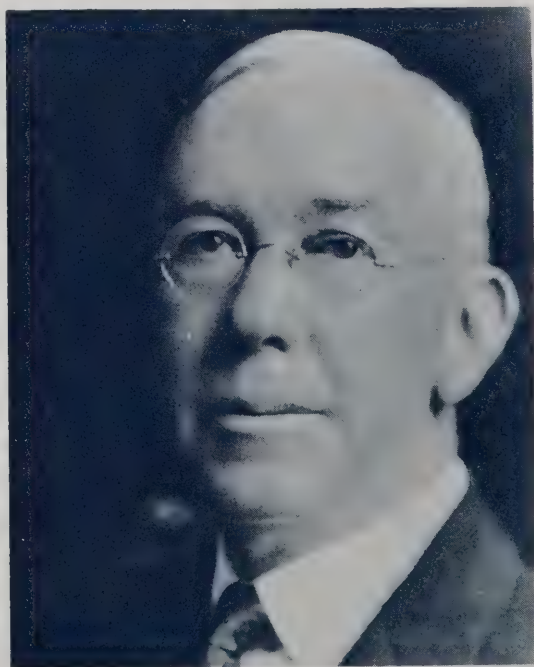
The call was accepted and Mr. Gordon began his ministry on the third Sunday in March, 1910. He served until July 1, 1917.

### DR. M. ASHBY JONES

1917 - 1926

August 5, 1917, the church extended a call to Dr. M. Ashby Jones, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Augusta, Georgia. Dr. Jones accepted the call and began his ministry October 1, 1917, and served until February 21, 1926, resigning to accept a call from the Second Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri.

When Dr. Jones came as Pastor, the church had a membership of approximately 550. The Clerk's report, rendered to the church in October, 1925, shows a membership of 1,069. The



DR. M. ASHBY JONES



Sanctuary was enlarged and the financial program of the church greatly expanded.

Dr. M. Ashby Jones was one of the really great pulpit orators of all time in America. Every sermon he preached was like a rare jewel, artistically and prayerfully conceived, all the polished and scintillating parts carefully and skilfully integrated into a symmetrical whole. His sermons exhibited in a remarkable degree the quality of "unity", a quality highly appraised in all good writing. Beautiful character, charming personality, marvelous language—perhaps these things sum up Dr. Ashby Jones as he was known to thousands in and out of the churches that he served. During the years that he was Pastor of Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church in Atlanta, the pews of his church were always filled with visitors from out of town, and especially with members of other Baptist churches and churches of other denominations in the city, drawn by the magnetism of his pulpit presence.

Space does not permit the inclusion of one of Dr. Jones' complete sermons, but here follows two brief extracts which are characteristic of all his sermons and his voluminous writing:

#### "PERSONALITY

"There are many echoes but few voices, many islands but few continents, many mountain ranges but few great towering mountain peaks, many parties but few leaders, many instructors but few teachers, many captains but few generals, many politicians but few statesmen, and millions of people but few strong, outstanding personalities."

"Personality is a superabundance of intellectual life. We believe in our heads, not in our heels. We live in the spirit, not in the flesh. Life is personality; personality is life. Life is the channel of personality. Culture is the perfume of personality. Magnetism is the electric thrill of personality. Originality is the color of personality. Force is the fire of personality."

"The ladder of St. Augustine is the ladder of personality—'I am; I know; I can; I ought; I will.' 'I am'—consciousness. 'I know'—intellect. 'I can'—the will. 'I ought'—the moral sense. 'I will'—decision of character. St. Augustine climbed this ladder of personality. So may you, so may I, climb it."

"Personality is the great driving force. It is the throb of the pulse, the fire in the eye, the blood in the vein, the quicksilver in the brain, the lightning in the nerve, the electricity in the touch, the transfiguration in the face, the motion in the limb—the action in the soul. Personality

is LIFE, HEART, MIND, SOUL, SPIRIT—GOD."

#### "HUMAN RELATIONS

"The trusts which God reposes in us are always in terms of human relations. His missions and messages are always to men. Divine obligations and duties are in terms of obligations and duties to our fellow men. The fatal error, so widespread among religionists, is that of separating religious obligations from those of daily life. It comes from the belief that we can only meet our obligations to God at high altars in temples and churches."

"How clearly Jesus taught that a gift at an altar can never be substituted for payment of a debt to a fellow man. Here, indeed, is the sacredness of human life. All duties and obligations of daily life are divine, and when we keep faith in these human relations, we are keeping faith with God. We love to quote, a public office is a public trust. Yes. And that means a divine trust. The relation of parent to child, husband to wife, brother to brother, neighbor to neighbor, are all divine trusts."

### DR. LUTHER RICE CHRISTIE

1926 - 1932

On June 13, 1926, a call was extended to Dr. Luther Rice Christie, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Meridian, Mississippi. Dr.



DR. LUTHER RICE CHRISTIE

Christie accepted the call, his work to begin September 1, 1926, and served until the merger of the Ponce de Leon Church with the Second Baptist Church, which resulted in the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church.

While not strictly a "downtown church", the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, in the expansion of Atlanta commercially, after the first World War, found that business was more and more encroaching upon its location and began looking for another and more favorable location, with the result that the church in conference June 21, 1929, authorized the purchase of a lot at the corner of Peachtree Road and Wesley Road. Shortly after the purchase of this lot, on July 24, 1929, the church in conference voted to merge with the Buckhead Baptist Church, effective September 1, 1929.

In October, 1929, a Building Committee was appointed and an architect employed, with a view of starting a building. The church property on Ponce de Leon Avenue was sold to the Central Congregational Church, effective January 1, 1930. On January 8, 1930, the church in conference authorized the Building Committee to project a campaign to raise the additional funds needed to begin the building at Peachtree and Wesley. A contract was awarded on March 31, 1930, for the first two floors of the Sanctuary Building. This part of the building was completed and occupied for the first time August 3, 1930.

During this transition period of the church, Dr. Christie, knowing the problems facing the Second Baptist Church, conceived the idea of a possible merger of the two churches, with the thought that, as the problems of the two churches were in many respects similar, therefore the

solution of these problems for both churches would be more easily solved if the churches would merge.

With a merger of the two churches in mind, Dr. Christie approached some of the Deacons of the Second Baptist Church, but did not receive a very enthusiastic response and the matter was dropped until after Dr. Knight came to the Second Baptist Church as Pastor. Many conferences were held and in the fall of 1932 sentiment in both congregations began to crystalize in favor of a merger. The merger agreement was effected on Friday night, November 18, 1932, by a joint conference and the organization of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church.

While Dr. Christie's pastorate of approximately six years was one of constant change and new problems, he handled them with the skill of a diplomat, and yet found time to do the usual amount of preaching and to be most diligent in his pastoral duties. To very few ministers comes the duty of dealing with problems outside the preaching ministry, as was his lot.

Dr. Christie's selfless spirit was demonstrated as he carefully developed plans for merging the two great churches, well knowing that he might be eliminating his own pastorate. He was heard to say that if the merger could be accomplished, he would voluntarily step aside for someone else to be Pastor of the combined church. It was later agreed, however, that Dr. Christie and Dr. Knight, Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, would both resign and the combined congregation would then elect one as Pastor. In November, 1932, a very close decision resulted in the election of Dr. Knight as the first Pastor of the combined church.





*Buckhead Baptist Church*



REV. W. J. B. UPSHAW



DR. WESTON BRUNER

*Other Pastors*

REV. A. T. PEACOCK

REV. CHAUNCEY W. FOOTE

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REV. R. W. EDENFIELD

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REV. GEOFFREY C. HENCHELWOOD

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DR. J. H. FULLER



# THE DEACONS

By S. E. DELLINGER

## *Second Baptist Church*

The early Minutes of the Second Baptist Church make no reference to the election of its first Deacons. However, in a letter from Mrs. M. E. Bomar, one of the charter members, published in the Semi-Centennial History of the Second Baptist Church, in 1904, she states that there were two Deacons, Dr. B. F. Bomar and Mr. Ira O. McDaniel.

The problem of handling all matters relative to the operation of the church was referred to the congregation at regular and special conferences, as the needs of the church required. It appears to have been the policy of the church, when an ordained Deacon was accepted for membership, to recognize him as a Deacon and ask him to serve the church as such. On February 12, 1859, the church in Conference passed a resolution authorizing the election of an additional Deacon at the next regular Conference, but on March 12, 1859, after receiving as a new

member Mr. James D. Kerlin, an ordained Deacon from the Athens, Georgia, Baptist Church, the election of an additional Deacon was indefinitely postponed and later, on December 12, 1859, by resolution of the church, Mr. Kerlin and S. Smith were recognized as Deacons in the church.

Under date of October 12, 1861, there is recorded the election of James Clark as a Deacon, but after considering the matter for one month, at the Conference held November 9, 1861, Mr. Clark declined to serve. On December 7, 1861, J. J. Richards was elected a Deacon.

Edward White was elected a Deacon on September 13, 1862.

At a regular Church Conference, held February 13, 1869, a resolution was passed providing for the election of two more Deacons on the second Lord's Day in March (March 14, 1869) and the Pastor was requested to prepare a discourse,

### DEACONS — 1953-1954

Left to right: *First Row*—Hugh R. Fischer, Horace S. Collinsworth, Marcus M. Emmert, Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., Fred W. Patterson, S. E. (Dan) Dellinger. *Second Row*—Carlton W. Binns, George W. McCarty, Judge Frank A. Hooper, W. R. Cox, J. B. Mathews. *Third Row*—R. Wiley Beall, Grady A. Lee, Robert F. Bryan, John A. White, Eugene G. Acree. *Fourth Row*—J. Robert Eubanks, Dr. Thomas P. Goodwyn, Thomas W. Clift, LaFayette Davis, Dean S. Paden. *Fifth Row*—Julian M. Harrison, Jr., A. G. (Gus) Cleveland, Jr., Jack R. Simmons, James J. Wooten, Charles E. Wilson, Jr. *Sixth Row*—Ross Arnold, Sam L. North, W. Kelly Mosley, Carter C. Harrison, W. R. Thomas. *Seventh Row*—(Standing)—Judge Claude D. Shaw, Dr. Albert L. Evans, William J. Nettles, Robert L. Cousins, Joseph S. Crespi.



to be given preceding the election, upon the duties incumbent upon Deacons as officers of the church. The election of S. S. Kendrick and A. B. Matthews is recorded under date of March 14, 1869.

Dr. James L. Bozeman was elected a Deacon on May 30, 1871.

By resolution of the church in Conference on March 7, 1873, J. J. McLendon was added to the Board of Deacons, and on June 6, 1873, by resolution, R. S. Jackson and William B. Wynne, ordained Deacons, were added to the Board.

A. D. Adair, Sr., John T. Pendleton, E. W. Meade, and T. J. McGuire were elected as Deacons on October 8, 1880. These brethren were ordained October 24, 1880.

A. C. Briscoe and Green B. Adair were elected Deacons April 6, 1883.

Henry Hillyer, M. M. Welch and George S. Lowndes, Sr., were elected Deacons on July 6, 1887, and ordained July 17, 1887.

On March 9, 1898, the church in Conference passed a resolution authorizing the election of four Deacons at the next Conference and on April 6, 1898, in compliance with this resolution, the following were elected as Deacons: Porter King, E. H. Thornton, Thomas J. Day and Walker Dunson. These gentlemen were ordained June 19, 1898.

The following resolution was approved by the church in Conference on November 6, 1901:

“RESOLVED, That the church elect five additional Deacons at our next regular Conference, in December, and that the Deacons be requested to nominate five persons suitable for this office.”

In compliance with this resolution, on December 1, 1901, the church elected to the Board William Lowe, George W. McCarty, Sr., M. L. Brittain and Thomas H. Northen. These gentlemen were ordained December 15, 1901.

The program of the Semi-Centennial of the Second Baptist Church, published in 1904, list the Board of Deacons as of that year as follows: Green B. Adair, A. D. Adair, Sr., Thomas J. Day, E. H. Thornton, Henry Hillyer, George Hillyer, John T. Pendleton, William Lowe, Walker Dunson, A. C. Briscoe, M. M. Welch, George S. Lowndes, Sr., M. L. Brittain.

A directory of the church, published in January, 1908, lists this same group as Deacons, with A. D. Adair, Sr., as Chairman.

S. P. Richards, Dr. E. L. Connally, Dr. William E. Campbell, Sr., B. H. Hartsfield, James T. Wright, George Westmoreland, H. N. Goodwin,

A. W. Malone and Edwin Stewart were elected Deacons on October 7, 1908. Edwin Stewart and George Westmoreland declined to serve. The others were ordained on October 18, 1908.

On June 4, 1911, the church passed a resolution to elect eight additional Deacons at the next Conference and pursuant to this resolution, on July 5, 1911, elected A. L. Cumming, Joseph A. Hall, Edwin Stewart, Graham P. Dozier, William Hurd Hillyer, S. B. Turman, Judge Beverly D. Evans and Charles A. Smith to the Board. Dozier, Hillyer, Hall and Stewart declined to serve. The others were recognized and ordained on September 27, 1911.

G. W. Cooper, J. S. McCullough, John S. Spalding, E. L. Harling and William S. Terrell were elected to the Board on November 15, 1913. Cooper and Terrell were recognized and the others ordained January 11, 1914.

On January 10, 1917, the church adopted a resolution providing that Deacons be elected for one-, two- and three-year terms. The following were elected for the terms indicated:

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>
William Walker Brookes	Ernest F. Brown
Paul A. Eggli	Frank H. Leavell

*Three Years*  
W. B. Willingham, Jr.  
George T. Northen

William Walker Brookes and Paul A. Eggli were elected for a three-year term on January 9, 1918.

To fill vacancies on the Board, on March 6, 1918, J. Glenwell Dodson was elected for one year, W. C. Daviet for two years, and C. C. Wayne for three years.

W. B. Willingham, Jr., J. Glenwell Dodson, Ernest F. Brown, C. C. Wayne, Frank H. Leavell, Judge Walter F. George and F. S. Etheridge were elected for three-year terms and H. R. Todd was elected for one year on January 14, 1920.

On January 5, 1921, H. R. Todd, William Walker Brookes and Paul A. Eggli were re-elected for three-year terms. D. P. Darrington was elected for one year.

A. D. Adair, Jr., F. J. Paxon, W. A. Stribling and Walter R. Brown were elected for three years and D. P. Darrington for one year on February 8, 1922.

On November 8, 1922, by resolution of the church, the Board of Deacons was increased to fifty; thirty-six to be Senior Deacons, elected for three years, and fourteen to be Junior



Deacons, to be elected annually. The following were elected for three-year terms, as Senior Deacons: J. J. Williamson, W. H. Williamson, E. M. Scott, F. H. Jackson, S. A. Swann, Robert E. Harvey, Dr. W. B. DuVall, Howard Davis and William Hicks.

Junior Deacons, to serve one year, were elected, as follows: Dr. M. G. Chaney, H. Lawson Alexander, John J. Vogel, A. L. TeBow, F. H. Hicks, D. O. Carswell, Ernest W. Allen,

Clinton W. Hall, Lamar Davis, Stacy Darrington, E. W. Barksdale, Kenneth Cooper and G. E. Brown.

By resolution of the church on February 7, 1923, the Board of Deacons was divided into three groups of twelve each, alphabetically, the first group to serve one year, the second group to serve two years, and the third group to serve three years, with twelve to be elected annually, all to date from January 1, 1923.

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>	<i>Three Years</i>
A. D. Adair, Jr.	Dr. W. B. DuVall	E. M. Scott
A. C. Briscoe	Paul A. Eggli	C. A. Smith
M. L. Brittain	F. S. Etheridge	John S. Spalding
Ernest F. Brown	Judge Walter F. George	W. A. Stribling
Walter R. Brown	E. L. Harling	S. A. Swann
W. W. Brookes	Robert E. Harvey	W. S. Terrell
Dr. E. L. Connally	William Hicks	H. R. Todd
Dr. Wm. E. Campbell, Sr.	Judge George Hillyer	C. C. Wayne
G. W. Cooper	F. H. Jackson	J. J. Williamson
D. P. Darrington	George S. Lowndes, Sr.	W. H. Williamson
Howard Davis	J. S. McCullough	W. B. Willingham, Jr.
J. Glen Dodson	F. J. Paxton	James T. Wright

On January 9, 1924, all of the one-year group were re-elected for three-year terms. All Junior Deacons were elected for one year.

Hugh R. Fischer was elected a Deacon to succeed Senator Walter F. George, resigned on March 23, 1924.

The terms of the two-year group listed above having expired, the following were elected for a term of three years on December 10, 1924: Dr. W. B. DuVall, Paul A. Eggli, F. S. Etheridge, R. E. Harvey, William Hicks, H. R. Fischer, Judge George Hillyer, F. H. Jackson, George S. Lowndes, Sr., J. S. McCullough and F. J. Paxton. All Junior Deacons were re-elected for one year.

At the Church Conference on January 6, 1926, the following were elected for three-year terms: John S. Spalding, E. M. Scott, S. A. Swann, H. R. Todd, C. C. Wayne, J. J. Williamson, W. H. Williamson, W. B. Willingham, Jr., and James T. Wright.

On April 7, 1926, to fill existing vacancies on the Board, the following were elected for terms ending January 1, 1927: John R. Dickey, Gordon G. Singleton and Thomas J. Day.

At the Annual Conference held January 12, 1927, the following were elected for three-year terms: A. D. Adair, Jr., Walter R. Brown, Dr. E. L. Connally, D. P. Darrington, Judge George Hillyer, Dr. M. L. Brittain, Dr. William E. Campbell, Sr., Gordon G. Singleton, G. W.

Cooper, John R. Dickey, Howard Davis and Thomas J. Day. The following were elected to fill vacancies existing on the Board:

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>
John J. Vogel	J. Glen Dodson
Stacy Darrington	H. Lawson Alexander
Kenneth Cooper	

The Junior Board of Deacons was discontinued.

The following were elected for three-year terms on January 11, 1928: Thomas J. Day, John R. Dickey, Dr. W. B. DuVall, Paul A. Eggli, F. S. Etheridge, Hugh R. Fischer, Robert E. Harvey, F. S. Jackson, George S. Lowndes, Gordon G. Singleton, John J. Vogel, L. Arthur Witherspoon; and to fill vacancies existing on the Board the following were elected:

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>
F. J. Paxton	Fred W. Patterson
J. Glen Dodson	Kenneth Cooper
J. S. McCullough	D. P. Darrington
	Stacy Darrington
	Howard Davis

On January 9, 1929, the following were re-elected for three-year terms: J. Glen Dodson, J. S. McCullough, F. J. Paxton, E. M. Scott, John S. Spalding, S. A. Swann, H. R. Todd, C. C. Wayne, J. J. Williamson, W. H. Williamson, W. B. Willingham, Jr., and James T. Wright.

On February 6, 1929, Fred W. Patterson was



elected a Deacon, to succeed Ernest F. Brown, resigned.

On October 9, 1929, C. J. Bloodworth was elected a Deacon, to succeed Thomas J. Day, deceased, and J. T. Killebrew was elected a Deacon to succeed F. H. Jackson, resigned.

At the Annual Conference of the church, held January 8, 1930, the following were elected for terms of three years: A. D. Adair, H. Lawson Alexander, M. L. Brittain, Dr. William E. Campbell, Sr., Dr. E. L. Connally, G. W. Cooper, Kenneth Cooper, D. P. Darrington, Stacy Darrington, Howard Davis and Fred W. Patterson.

On January 7, 1931, the following were elected for three-year terms: John R. Dickey, Dr. W. B. DuVall, Paul A. Eggli, F. S. Etheridge, Hugh R. Fischer, J. T. Killebrew, Gordon G. Singleton, John J. Vogel and L. A. Witherspoon.

On September 9, 1931, Grady A. Lee was elected to succeed W. H. Williamson, resigned.

At the Annual Conference held January 6, 1932, the following were elected for terms of three years: J. Glen Dodson, Grady A. Lee, J. S. McCullough, F. J. Paxon, E. M. Scott, John S. Spalding, S. A. Swann, H. R. Todd, C. C. Wayne, W. B. Willingham, Jr., and James T. Wright.

## *Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church*

Shortly after the constitution of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, the first Board of Deacons was duly elected, as follows: George M. Brown, Dr. J. M. Crawford, Fred B. Law, George W. McCarty, Sr., W. J. Northen and John W. Wills. At the organization meeting of the Board, held at the home of Ex-Governor W. J. Northen, 704 Piedmont Avenue, on October 10, 1904, Gov. Northen was elected as Chairman and J. W. Wills as Secretary. The Secretary gave a resume of the development of the church to that point and called upon his fellow Deacons "to give themselves like men selected by God to manage this special part of His Kingdom and to live such lives of spirituality that the new church could really look to them as their spiritual leaders."

In October, 1909, Eugene C. Callaway and Arthur B. Caldwell were added to the Board. Rutherford Lipscomb was elected to the Board on May 4, 1910.

On December 23, 1914, Judge John T. Pendleton, with Mrs. Pendleton, presented letters of dismission from the Second Baptist Church and were received as members. At the regular Church Conference, held January 13, 1915, Judge Pendleton was elected to the Board of Deacons.

No further reference is made in the Minutes of the church regarding the personnel of the Board until January 1, 1916. As of that date, the Board was as follows: J. W. Wills, Chairman; George M. Brown, A. B. Caldwell, H. S. Collinsworth, Paul S. Etheridge, F. B. Law, Rutherford

Lipscomb, George W. McCarty, Sr., P. H. Mell, Judge John T. Pendleton.

At a Called Conference, held March 1, 1919, the church adopted a resolution increasing the number of Deacons to a minimum of fifteen and, as there was a vacancy on the Board, the following were elected for an indefinite period: R. G. Dunwody, George W. Forrester, A. W. Jackson, George C. Jones, A. C. McHan, C. T. Nunnally and George Westmoreland. Hugh M. Willet and E. C. Laird were elected at a Called Conference, held May 7, 1922. These gentlemen were elected to replace George W. McCarty and Judge John T. Pendleton, deceased.

On May 7, 1922, at a Called Conference of the church, by resolution seven more Deacons were added to the Board, making a maximum of twenty-one, and the following were elected: Lee Ashcraft, Marcus M. Emmert, J. Frank Fair, A. M. Lloyd, Joe L. McMillin, Harry E. Moody and George T. Northen.

On January 8, 1930, after the merger with the Buckhead Baptist Church, by resolution, the church increased the Board of Deacons to a maximum of thirty-five and elected the following: James R. Andrews, Frank O. Cooper, R. M. Dillard, Julian M. Harrison, Sr., G. W. Jenkins, George Mathieson, S. B. Naff, Dean S. Paden and Lawrence Willet.

On January 13, 1932, at the regular Church Conference, the following were elected Deacons: Ernest F. Brown, W. F. Dykes, Frank A. Hooper, Jr., George W. McCarty, Jr., and R. D. Webb.

## *Buckhead Baptist Church*

Due to the fact that the early records of the Buckhead Baptist Church were destroyed in a fire, it is not known who the early Deacons were. The only records available are the Church Minutes of October 7, 1925, which list the Deacons as follows: L. A. Davis, Chairman;

H. A. Cagle, Vice-Chairman; J. W. Elliott, Secretary; James R. Andrews, Frank O. Cooper, J. S. Donaldson, R. B. Durrett, G. W. Jenkins, A. A. Jones, George Mathieson, W. C. Mayville, J. O. Pinner, J. E. Ragsdale, H. W. Roddey and A. M. Smith.

## *Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

The merger agreement between the Second Baptist Church and the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church which resulted in the organization of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church provided that the following should constitute its Board of Deacons: A. D. Adair, Ernest F. Brown, George M. Brown, Carlton W. Binns, M. L. Brittain, H. S. Collinsworth, D. P. Darrington, J. Glen Dodson, W. F. Dykes, W. B. DuVall, Paul A. Eggli, Marcus M. Emmert, Hugh R. Fischer, Julian M. Harrison, Sr., Frank A. Hooper, Jr., A. W. Jackson, Grady A. Lee, A. M. Lloyd, George Mathieson, George W. McCarty, Jr., J. S. McCullough, Harry E. Moody, George T. Northen, Fred W. Patterson, F. J. Paxon, Gordon G. Singleton, John S. Spalding, H. R. Todd, R. D. Webb, Lawrence Willet and W. B. Willingham, Jr.

At the merger meeting and conference held November 18, 1932, all were elected, with the provision that the Board after organization, by some method determined by itself, shall divide into four groups, the first to serve one year, the second to serve two years, the third to serve three years, and the fourth to serve four years, all to date from January 1, 1933, so that one-fourth of the members shall be elected each year. Subsequent elections, except to fill vacancies caused by death, resignations or otherwise, shall be held at the regular October Conference, and notice thereof shall be given at the preceding Sunday morning services. No Deacon shall be eligible for re-election until the October Conference next after the expiration of his term.

At the meeting of the Board held September 11, 1933, the Chairman called attention to the fact that the merger agreement contemplated reducing the Board to not more than twenty-four members and that this would necessitate the dropping of seven from the membership and the re-electing of the remaining twenty-four for terms of one, two, three and four years. In order to

reduce the Board to the required twenty-four, the following offered their resignations, which were accepted: A. D. Adair, Jr., M. L. Brittain, George M. Brown, A. W. Jackson, A. M. Lloyd, F. J. Paxon and John J. Vogel.

On motion by George M. Brown, seconded by A. D. Adair, Jr., it was resolved that the remaining twenty-four should draw lots for grouping into one-, two-, three-, and four-year terms, with the following results:

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>
J. Glen Dodson	H. R. Fischer
Fred W. Patterson	Gordon G. Singleton
W. F. Dykes	George W. McCarty, Jr.
H. R. Todd	Lawrence Willet
George Mathieson	Harry E. Moody
L. A. Witherspoon	W. B. Willingham, Jr.
<i>Three Years</i>	<i>Four Years</i>
Ernest F. Brown	Carlton W. Binns
W. B. DuVall	Frank A. Hooper, Jr.
H. S. Collinsworth	Marcus M. Emmert
R. G. Dunwody	Grady A. Lee
D. P. Darrington	Julian M. Harrison, Sr.
George T. Northen	John S. Spalding

This action was confirmed by the church at the October Conference.

In October, 1935, the church adopted By-Laws providing, among other things, the following with reference to the Board of Deacons:

"Article II, Section 3: The Board of Deacons shall consist of twenty-four members, who shall be elected for terms of four years, or until their successors shall have been elected and ordained. No Deacon shall be eligible for re-election until one year after the expiration of his preceding term."

Article XII, Section 2, sets forth the duties of a Deacon.

The following amendment to the By-Laws was

recommended to the Church Conference and adopted July 8, 1936:

"RESOLVED, that Article II, Section 3, of the By-Laws be amended by adding thereto the following: In addition to the twenty-four Deacons referred to above, the church may elect Life Deacons, who shall be nominated to the church by the Board of Deacons because of long and distinguished service in the cause of Christ. There shall not be more than six Life Deacons serving at one time."

At a Called Conference of the church, held July 12, 1936, this amendment was ratified and the following elected Life Deacons: M. L. Brittain, George M. Brown, Charles A. Davis, F. J. Paxon, George Westmoreland and Hugh M. Willet.

On March 31, 1937, the Board proposed the following amendment to the By-Laws:

"Amend Article II, Section 4, by striking same and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section IV: Election of the Pastor, Deacons and other officers of the church shall be by

ballot, except that by unanimous consent, ballot may be dispensed with and a viva-voce vote taken. The annual election of officers of the church, except Pastor, shall be at the regular Church Conference in July.

"At the June meeting of the Board of Deacons, its Chairman shall name a nominating committee of three, at least one of which shall not be a member of said Board, to make nominations of church officers to the church at its July Conference."

This amendment was approved by the church in Conference on July 11, 1937.

A resolution was passed by the Board on September 1, 1943, recommending to the church that the By-Laws be amended to increase the number of Deacons from twenty-four to thirty. This amendment to the By-Laws was adopted at the October Conference.

At the regular Church Conference in April, 1949, the By-Laws were amended to increase the Board from thirty to thirty-six members.

Since the church merger in November, 1932, the following have served as Deacons:

A. D. Adair, Jr.  
H. Ross Arnold\*  
Eugene G. Acree\*  
R. W. Beall\*  
S. Oscar Bean  
W. A. Brim  
Charlie L. W. Bird  
Carlton W. Binns\*  
Dr. M. L. Brittain  
McDonald Brittain  
Robert F. Bryan\*  
George M. Brown  
Ernest F. Brown  
J. Chandler Burton  
Grover C. Bowden  
John A. Butler\*  
I. Tucker Callaway  
Edward W. Cauthorn  
M. L. Claxton  
A. G. Cleveland, Jr.\*  
Thomas W. Clift\*  
H. S. Collinsworth  
Robert L. Cousins\*  
Joseph H. Crespi\*  
Charles C. Cross  
Erle Cocke  
W. R. Cox\*  
D. P. Darrington  
LaFayette Davis\*  
S. E. Dellinger

J. Curtis Dixon  
Dr. W. B. DuVall  
Wallace O. DuVall  
Dr. Ben A. Dyas  
W. F. Dykes  
J. Glenwell Dodson  
Dr. R. G. Dunwoody  
Dr. Henry L. Edwards  
Paul A. Eggli  
Marcus M. Emmert  
N. D. Eubank  
J. Robert Eubanks\*  
Dr. Albert L. Evans\*  
Edward B. Everett  
J. Frank Fair  
Hugh R. Fischer  
Edward H. Friedman  
G. Dean Garner  
Judson M. Garner\*  
E. Smythe Gambrell  
Boyce L. Graham  
W. Gordon Grant  
Charles M. Gray  
Dr. Thomas P. Goodwyn  
Holcombe T. Green  
Charles C. Hammond  
Julian M. Harrison, Sr.  
Julian M. Harrison, Jr.\*  
Dr. N. S. Herod  
Frank A. Hooper, Jr.\*

Lane Hubbard  
A. W. Jackson  
J. Leland Jackson\*  
Henry C. Johnson  
J. Woodfin Jones  
William C. Key  
Dr. George A. LaFitte  
Grady A. Lee  
C. J. Lively  
A. M. Lloyd  
George T. Marchmont  
Jack W. Markert\*  
J. B. Mathews\*  
George Mathieson  
George W. McCarty, Jr.\*  
Owen C. McConnell\*  
J. S. McCullough  
J. Walter McCullough  
T. B. McLeod  
John J. Medlin, Sr.  
Roy E. Milling, Sr.  
Harry E. Moody  
W. Kelly Mosley\*  
George P. Murray, Sr.  
S. B. Naff  
W. J. Nettles\*  
J. O. North  
Sam L. North\*  
George T. Northen  
W. Sheffield Owen\*



Dean S. Paden\*  
Fred W. Patterson  
Fred J. Paxon  
T. Brooks Pearson  
Phil L. Peebles  
E. Clem Powers  
John B. Poyner  
David O. Price  
Wayne K. Rivers  
H. W. Rohrer  
Claude D. Shaw\*  
I. M. Sheffield, Jr.

Paul E. Sheffield  
Jack R. Simmons\*  
Dr. D. Hoyt Simpson  
Stanley S. Simpson  
William J. Shiver  
Dr. Gordon G. Singleton  
John S. Spalding  
Clifford M. Stodghill  
Walter R. Thomas\*  
H. R. Todd  
Pollard Turman\*  
John J. Vogel

Wallace C. Wathen  
R. D. Webb  
John A. White\*  
Wyatt C. Whitley  
A. C. Wilkerson  
Lawrence Willet  
George Williamson  
W. B. Willingham, Jr.  
Charles E. Wilson, Jr.\*  
L. A. Witherspoon  
James J. Wooten\*

## *Life Deacons*

On November 8, 1944, Section III, Article 2, of the By-Laws was amended to permit as many as ten Life Deacons at one time and the following were elected Life Deacons: Ernest F. Brown, Harry E. Moody, I. M. Sheffield, Sr., and H. R. Todd.

Since the office of Life Deacon was created, the following have been elected to this office: H. Lawson Alexander, Ernest F. Brown, George M. Brown, Horace S. Collinsworth\*, Charles A. Davis, Wade H. Davis, S. E. Dellinger\*, Dr. R. G. Dunwody, Marcus M. Emmert\*, Harry E. Moody, Hugh R. Fischer\*, J. Frank Fair, F. J. Paxon, Fred W. Patterson\*, I. M. Sheffield, Sr., John S. Spalding, H. R. Todd, George Westmoreland, Hugh M. Willet, and L. A. Witherspoon\*.

In the foregoing pages are given the names of the men who have been chosen to serve the several churches as deacons during a period of one hundred years. All of them, so far as the

records show, have been men of consecrated ideals and have served according to their several abilities. Many of them have served with distinction.

The office of Deacon in the church has long been interpreted by leading authorities as one of service. His duties find their highest usefulness in such intelligent and understanding support of the Pastor as will leave the Pastor free of administrative matters to the extent that he may have the time for his sacred ministry. To the Deacon is given the material ministry of the church. He is responsible for its properties and the raising and disbursing of its finances, under the direction of the church.

From a spiritual point of view, the New Testament prescribes the qualifications of a Deacon. To him is given, under the guidance of the Pastor, the task of leading the congregation in the fullest development of its spiritual life. His daily walk should be such that all who see may say: "Here is a man who lives close to God."

\*Presently serving on the Board.

# *History of* **SECOND-PONCE DE LEON BAPTIST CHURCH**

Atlanta, Georgia

## *Introduction*

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“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth” (Matthew 5:5).

The “meek”, to whom the promise is here made that they shall “inherit the earth”, are the humble and faithful followers of a meek and lowly Christ. The erstwhile arrogant and triumphant lords of Nazi Germany have long since gasped their last and stiffened to the quick jerk of the hangman’s noose at Nuremberg. The names of Hitler, Mussolini, and Tojo are gathering dust in the pages of profane history along with the names of Napoleon, Nero, Tiberius, and all other proud and tyrannical oppressors of human dignity and human freedom. “For every one that exalteth himself shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted” (Luke 18:14). “And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant” (Matthew 20:27).

Jesus Christ moved quickly from the scene in which He washed His disciples’ feet to the scene of His sacrificial death. The Son of the Most High humbled Himself to drink to the dregs the bitter cup and die the ignominious death of the cross. But He has left on this earth a band of devoted followers whose numbers and influence grow year by year.

Perhaps no more convincing proof could be cited to establish the eternal verity of God’s promises to His people than the bare facts in the history of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia. From its humble beginnings with 19 members one hundred years ago, it has prospered and grown into one of the great churches of America. In some important areas of church interest, it has established all-time records for churches in Georgia. Its allotment of more than \$215,000 for missions in the 1954 budget is probably the largest sum ever contributed to the cause of world evangelism by a single Georgia church in a single year. Records of the Southern Baptist Convention indicate that, beginning one hundred years ago, it took all the churches of the Convention *thirty years* to contribute as much to missions as Second-Ponce de Leon is contributing to that cause in the budget of a single year, 1954!

From it and its parent churches have sprung 11 existing and prospering churches in the City of Atlanta. To all these churches it has contributed generously of its funds and its membership. To its most recent off-spring,

Wieuca Road Baptist Church, born in this centennial year of a vigorous mother, it has contributed a building site that cost \$31,000 (now worth \$75,000), a nucleus of some 236 members, and will make a donation of \$10,000 to the building fund. And yet with all these partitions and donations, the membership of our church has grown to more than 3,500, and the current annual budget of \$431,852.00 is almost double its own unprecedented budget of only two years ago. Truly, "The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail." (1 Kings 17:14). What better proof of that basic principle of the Church that we grow by giving, and that our substance is not diminished by sharing with the Lord! What bank in Atlanta can make such an impressive showing, even in the area of material prosperity?

In this Centennial Year, we of the current generation of Second-Ponce de Leon Church are the special beneficiaries of God's blessing. And perhaps, with gratitude and humility, we may indeed become, to others, an earnest of Christ's promise that "the meek shall inherit the earth."



# GENERAL HISTORY OF THE CHURCH

By S. E. DELLINGER

## *Second Baptist Church*

IMMORTAL NAMES in the history of the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta are the following: P. E. McDaniel, B. F. Bomar, Sarah E. L. Bomar, Ira O. McDaniel, Rebecca J. McDaniel, Nancy B. McDaniel, Caroline J. McDaniel, John M. Meyer, St. Thomas B. Vesey, and Mrs. F. A. Lipham, for it was they who, on August 20, 1854, petitioned the First Baptist Church of Atlanta for letters of dismissal from that church, in order that they might be constituted into the Second Baptist Church. The First Baptist Church authorized a presbytery and set the date as Friday evening, September 1, 1854. Before that date arrived this group had been joined by Joseph Oglesby, W. Richardson, F. H. Coleman, Mrs. R. Myers, Mrs. M. Oglesby, Mrs. E. Richardson, Mrs. A. Wells, Mrs. Mary Bullard, and Mrs. E. Shurburn, making nineteen to form the nucleus of the new church.

Elder Jesse H. Campbell was appointed Moderator and William H. Robert Clerk of the presbytery. The letters of the applicants were read and approved. The Constitution prayer was given by Elder T. H. Allen. Sermon and questions were by Elder Jesse H. Campbell. Articles of Faith were read and approved. The hand of fellowship was given by the presbytery and by the brethren and they were duly pronounced by the Moderator "The Second Baptist Church of Atlanta".

The first action of the church was to hold a short conference on the same evening that it was constituted, and to appoint delegates to the Rock Mountain Association (now the Stone Mountain Association). At the request of the church, Elder Jesse H. Campbell acted as Moderator. A committee was appointed to find a room where the church might establish a Sunday School and place of worship until a permanent home could be built. Services were held in the home of Dr. B. F. Bomar until the basement of the church building was completed, at the corner of Washington and Mitchell

Streets. Rev. Charles M. Irwin was called to serve as the first Pastor of the church, but due to ill health, he was compelled to retire for a while from the active ministry. He served the church until August, 1856, when he was succeeded by Rev. T. U. Wilkes.

### THE FIRST BUILDING

The first house of worship, built at the corner of Washington and Mitchell Streets, was a brick structure, the first brick church in Atlanta, the first one to be heated by a steam plant, and the first to have a baptistry inside the building. At first, only the basement of the church building was finished and the services were held here. However, in the summer of 1857, a sudden storm took the roof off the building and, since several families of some means had joined the church, plans were immediately launched to complete and furnish the building. This was done during the pastorate of Rev. T. U. Wilkes, at a cost of approximately \$14,000.00. The building was dedicated in 1858.

The Rev. John T. Clarke became Pastor of the church on November 4, 1858, and served in that capacity for three years. He was a very scholarly man and a student of law. After leaving the pastorate of the church, he was admitted to the bar and served the state for many years as Judge of the Pataula Circuit.

Dr. William T. Brantley, D. D., was called as Pastor in 1861 and, with the exception of approximately one year after the evacuation of Atlanta, served continuously until 1871. The church made great progress under his ministry. The membership was increased. The church building was enlarged and thoroughly repaired, at a cost of some \$20,000.00. The church entered on its period of missionary effort by establishing during his ministry the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Baptist Churches.

During this decade of Dr. Brantley's ministry we find that there was established in the Second

Baptist Church a Missionary Society. The Preamble to the Constitution adopted reads as follows:

"By way of distinctly recognizing our obligation to obey the commission of our Lord, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, we hereby organize a missionary society."

Article 1, Section 1, names the society as "The Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church." Section 2 provides that it shall be composed of all the women members of said church. Section 3 provides that it shall be an auxiliary to the Georgia Baptist Convention. Article 2 provides that its meetings shall be concurrent with the church conferences and that all business shall be conducted at such meetings, and that a collection shall be taken at the night service on the first Sabbath in each month, to carry on the work of this Society.

An interesting note on the history of the Southern Baptist Convention is revealed during this time in that they took the position that the government should not furnish Chaplains to the Army, but that it was the obligation and duty of the churches themselves to meet the spiritual needs of the men in the Confederate Army. This policy seems to have been adopted by the Confederate States of America, as we find an entry in the Minutes of the Second Baptist Church, under date of June 24, 1863, recording the fact that Rev. R. Holman, Secretary of the Alabama State Mission Board, preached at the church and raised \$1,250.00 in contributions for the purpose of sending preachers to the army.

With the coming of Sherman's army, in 1864, many of the church members were evacuated and there are no records of meetings of any kind from July 8, 1864, until April, 1865. The church building was used as a storehouse for drygoods and furniture during Gen. Sherman's siege of Atlanta. It was saved from heavy shelling and fire through the influence of Father O'Riley, of a neighboring Catholic church, who was a friend of Gen. Sherman.

Dr. William T. Brantley returned to the city in July, 1865, and took up his ministry in the church. The lecture room of the church was tendered to the colored people for the purpose of worship at such an hour on Sunday afternoon as would not interfere with services in the sanctuary. A committee was appointed to supervise and direct the meetings of the colored congregation. On November 21, 1866, an Advisory Committee was appointed to confer with the colored members regarding the establishment of an outside church

for their membership, as it was believed that their religious life would be developed more rapidly in a place of worship of their own. In August, 1871, we find a record of action on the part of the church to assist the Friendship Baptist Church (colored) in their efforts to build their own church.

Dr. Albert T. Spalding, D.D., succeeded Dr. Brantley as Pastor, beginning August 11, 1871. Shortly after his coming to the church, a special church conference was called for the purpose of promoting a more efficient church organization. The following departments were recognized as having been established and functioning in the church: Finance Department and Department of Sunday School. New departments were established, as follows: Department of Benevolence, Department of Social Religion, Department of City Missions and Church Extension, Department of Church Fellowship, Department of Orphans' Home, and Department of Church Music.

#### "BY THEIR FRUITS YE SHALL KNOW THEM"

On January 13, 1889, we find recorded a special collection taken for the purpose of assisting in building a house of worship for the Baptists of Havanna, Cuba. Over \$2,000.00 was raised for this purpose.

During the two decades from 1880 to 1900 the Young Men's Missionary Society was a potent factor in the life of the church, though it seems to have been an outgrowth of the Missionary Society organized in 1861.

At various times and places during the ensuing years, members of the Second Baptist Church were instrumental in organizing and conducting missions which grew into nine new churches, some of which changed names and locations, but practically all of which are still active and growing churches in the City of Atlanta. For interesting details in connection with the establishment and growth of the new churches, see "Daughters of the Second Baptist Church," which follows in this same section of the book.

In the early life of the Second Baptist Church, the Church Discipline required all male members of the church to attend all conferences and divine services of the church, or they were required to render a satisfactory excuse for failing to do so.

#### CHURCH FINANCES

Early church finances did not receive much space in the Minutes of the church. However, on December 12, 1869, there is recorded a report from a committee which had previously been appointed for the purpose of studying the rental



of pews. Their recommendation was, as follows:

"That the Finance Department estimate at the end of the year what the expense of the church for the coming year would be, and fix the pew rentals so that such rentals would provide the necessary income for the church, and that the present occupants could retain their pews at the prices apportioned."

This plan was approved and the Finance Committee was instructed to proceed with the renting of the pews for the year 1869.

The name of the Finance Department was changed to Finance Committee on September 11, 1874, and the Pastor was instructed to appoint eleven members to the committee, the committee to elect its own Chairman. The first committee, as appointed by Dr. Spalding, was composed of the following members: Joseph E. Brown, John H. James, R. S. Jackson, J. T. Bozeman, J. H. Lowe, W. W. Bell, A. D. Adair, Sr., J. T. McGuire, A. J. McBride, J. G. Goldsmith, and J. R. Kendrick.

The economic problems of reconstruction days were reflected in the problems confronting the Finance Committee. Under date of February 12, 1875, we find a resolution, approved by the Conference, requesting the Finance Committee to confine the expenses of the church for maintenance to a sum that would be within the anticipated revenues of the church. At the following Conference, in March, 1875, it was brought out that the foreseeable expenses of the church for the year would be about \$5,000.00, while pew rentals would amount to only \$3,700.00, therefore the Conference voted to have Sunday morning collections to raise the difference.

Regrets over inevitable change can be seen in the following entries in the Minute Book, made by S. P. Richards, Church Clerk:

"Sunday, December 28, 1890: Services were held in the old church today for the last time. Our people have worshipped here for thirty-five years and it is twenty years since the renovation in 1870."

"January 4, 1891: Sabbath services were held today in our new Tabernacle, on Mitchell Street near Loyd Street—a cheap, but commodious house, built in ten days to serve our purpose while the new church edifice is being built upon the old site."

"January 7, 1891: The Pastor was requested to write a letter of thanks to St. Philip's Episcopal Church for their unsolicited offer to us to occupy their Chapel while our new church is being erected."

"September 7, 1892: The temporary Tabernacle used while the church edifice was being built was donated to the Jackson Hills Mission."

#### NEW CHURCH BUILDING

The new church building, built on the old site, was completed, occupied, and dedicated on the last Sunday in October, 1893. Dr. John A. Broadus preached the Dedication sermon, on the subject: "The Fellowship of Labor."

In his sermon on November 14, 1892, Dr. Henry McDonald, reviewing the progress of the church for the ten years of his ministry thus far, disclosed that the membership had grown from 508 in 1882 to 1,016 in 1892, and that the church had disbursed more than \$150,000.00 during this decade. To quote a contemporary of Dr. McDonald: "Many gracious revivals were held during his pastorate, the membership was more than doubled, and he was the first Pastor in Georgia to inaugurate the systematic collection of Mission funds by the church." A number of Missions were organized into independent churches during his ministry, which covered a period from February, 1882, to February, 1900.

During the pastorate of Dr. John E. White, while Dr. E. L. Connally was serving as Church Treasurer, the congregation was brought to a realization that pew rentals, as a system to finance the church, were inadequate. The result was that on November 16, 1904, by action of the church, pew rentals were discontinued, and the envelope system, with the Every-Member Canvass, was adopted as a means of church financing. Where there had been only 119 families renting pews in 1904, in 1905, under the new system, approximately 700 pledges were received for church support, by voluntary subscription.

#### PONCE DE LEON AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

On October 9, 1904, at their request, the following members were granted letters of dismission to join with other members from the First Baptist Church in organizing the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church: Orion S. Nunnally, Charles T. Nunnally, Mrs. Charles T. Nunnally, James T. Dunlap, Mrs. Charles G. Lippold, M. C. Horton, Rucker McCarty, Mrs. George W. McCarty, Sr., Mrs. R. L. Turman, George W. McCarty, Sr., George W. McCarty, Jr., Mignon McCarty, O. E. Horton, Mrs. John M. McCullough, Mrs. N. B. Barnes, Mrs. Dora Ragland, Mrs. Annie Kate Barnes, Mrs. Mabel Hillyer Hemphill, and Charles G. Lippold.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNEX

The growing demands of the church and Sunday School having become so urgent, on December 7, 1909, the church authorized plans for a Sunday School Annex, to be erected on the lot in the rear of the church. A campaign was launched to raise funds to cover the cost and the Annex was completed and dedicated June 4, 1911.

On December 13, 1911, the church adopted a plan of dividing the male members of the church into groups of ten each, this organization to be known as the Men's League of the Second Baptist Church, the Chairman of each section to automatically become a member of the Finance Committee of the church. The principal aims and duties of these groups were to be enlisting of the church membership, and to promote a spirit of brotherhood among the members themselves.

On February 7, 1912, the church made an appropriation of \$100.00 to the Atlanta Baptist Association to aid in purchasing a lot for the newly organized Buckhead Baptist Church.

The first Daily Vacation Bible School was authorized and the sum of \$50.00 appropriated to pay the expense of it, on June 30, 1912.

The amount apportioned to the church in the 75 Million Campaign, in 1919, was \$160,000.00. The church responded with subscriptions totaling \$265,000.00. One of the members, William Walker Brookes, made a gift of \$50,000.00 to this cause.

The church added an Educational Secretary to its force on May 4, 1921.

## CHURCH NIGHT SUPPERS

The church in conference, on December 13, 1922, voted to have what would be termed a Church Night once each month, at which time supper would be served and monthly conferences would be held. All departments of the church would report and have their monthly meetings at these Church Night services.

## SHIFTING POPULATION

From about 1920 on, the Second Baptist Church began to feel the effects of the migration of the population away from the center of the city. Families were moving out to the fringes of the city, since the universal use of the automobile had made it unnecessary for them to remain near street-car facilities. The church found itself in the center of new commercial developments and a changing population, without the elements of stability that had existed when most of her

members resided near the church. The church leaders began to think in terms of a new location, but not finding this matter popular with all the membership, let the matter drop temporarily. With the passing of time, and the continued development of the Capitol Hill area commercially, it became apparent to all that the church was facing a crisis and needed to give some serious thought to its future. To meet this need, a Survey Committee was appointed to give serious study to the matter. This committee reported: (1) "that there could be no future development of a membership congenial to its present membership in its present location, and (2) that with the proper leadership and a new location for opportunities of service, the church could continue its record of achievement of its past years." Options were secured on two different parcels of real estate, but in each case further study of these locations indicated that they would be overlapping the rightful territory of other established Baptist churches.

## THE "MERGER"—UNPRECEDENTED ACTION

With seemingly insurmountable difficulties in the way of changing its location, the suggestion of Dr. Luther Rice Christie, of the Ponce de Leon Church, that the two churches merge their congregations, found the leaders of the church in a receptive mood. A committee from the Board of Deacons was appointed to work with a similar committee from the Ponce de Leon Church in working out the details of the proposed merger. The result of the work of this committee was set forth in the following resolution, presented to the Church Conference October 5, 1932:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Deacons recommend to the church in conference the acceptance of a proposal of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, through their Board of Deacons, for a merger of the two churches, the Second Baptist Church and the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in accordance with a request of the Board of Deacons of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, a committee of five be named to meet with a committee of five from the Ponce de Leon Church to attend to working out the details of the merger.

"FURTHER, we nominate the following to represent the Second Baptist Church, with power to act for the church: Messrs. F. W. Patterson, L. A. Witherspoon, J. Glen Dodson, Hugh R. Fischer, and F. J. Paxon; and as alternates, John S. Spalding, John J. Vogel,

W. B. Willingham, Jr., and Gordon G. Singleton."

The question having been called for, the Moderator called for a rising vote, and the matter was carried by a large majority.

By agreement with the Ponce de Leon Church, the committees of five from each church were enlarged to fifteen from each church, and the final results of their negotiations were embodied in the following report, submitted to the churches on November 7, 1932:

"BE IT RESOLVED, in joint meeting of the committees of fifteen representing the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church and the committee of fifteen representing the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta, that the proposed merger agreement, copy of which is attached hereto, be and the same is hereby approved by the joint committee of thirty representing the two churches, and the said committee recommends that the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church and the Second Baptist Church by formal resolutions do approve and enter into the said merger agreement."

#### "MERGER AGREEMENT

"GEORGIA :  
FULTON COUNTY :

"This INDENTURE entered into this 14th day of November, 1932, by and between Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia, and the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia, a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia,

"WITNESSETH, that, whereas the congregations of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church and the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta have by proper resolutions indicated a desire that the two church corporations and congregations be merged;

"NOW, THEREFORE, the said corporations acting in accordance with the provisions of their respective charters, and By-Laws, in consideration of their mutual agreements, covenants, provisions and grants herein contained, and of the benefits to accrue to the parties hereto, do hereby agree to merge their properties and assets and their religious and church activities and do hereby merge upon the following terms and conditions, to wit:

1

"The name of the merged church and corporation shall be Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church.

2

"The merged church location shall be at the Northeast corner of Peachtree Road and Wesley Avenue.

3

"The present Charter, Articles of Faith and By-Laws of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church shall be the Charter, Articles of Faith and By-Laws of the merged church corporation, except that Sections 3 and 4 of

Article II of said By-Laws are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. The Board of Deacons shall consist of twenty-four members, who shall be elected for a term of four years, or until their successors shall have been elected and ordained; provided, however, that immediately after the first election hereunder, which shall occur on November 18th next after the ratification and execution hereof, the Board shall divide itself into four equal groups, by some method determined by it, and the first group shall serve for one year, the second for two years, the third group for three years, and the fourth group for four years, so that one-fourth of the members shall be chosen every year. Subsequent elections, except to fill vacancies caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be held at the regular October Conference, and notice thereof shall be given at the preceding Sunday morning service. No Deacon shall be eligible for re-election until the regular October Conference next after the expiration of the preceding term.

"SECTION 4. Election of the Pastor, Deacons and other church officers shall be by ballot, except that, by unanimous consent, ballot may be dispensed with and a viva-voce vote taken. The Clerk, Financial Secretary, and other officers of the church and Sunday School shall be elected on November 18th next after ratification and execution hereof and thereafter shall be elected at the annual meeting in October. Vacancies caused otherwise than by expiration of term may be filled at any regular Conference, providing notice of such election has been given at the preceding Sunday morning service. All standing committees shall be appointed in the same way, except when otherwise ordered by the Conference.

"The Ponce de Leon Baptist Church will immediately apply for an amendment to its charter changing the name to SECOND-PONCE DE LEON BAPTIST CHURCH.

"As a matter of expediency, at the first election to be held, as provided in Section 3 of Article II, set forth above, thirty-one Deacons shall be elected. Sixteen of these Deacons shall be from the present Board of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church and fifteen from the present Board of the Second Baptist Church. Seven of these Deacons, who shall have been agreed upon by the combined Board by some method determined by it, shall be dropped from the Board at the next regular Conference and no election of Deacons shall be held at that time, thus reducing the Board to twenty-four, as provided above.

5

"The Second Baptist Church of Atlanta will immediately transfer and convey all its assets, real and personal and mixed, to the merged Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church by proper deeds and bills of sale, so that title to all of same shall vest in the said merged church.

6

"The merged Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church shall succeed to all the rights of the Second Baptist Church in respect and relation to any and all special trust funds or properties now existing in connection with or in relation to Second Baptist Church, or in which the Second Baptist Church may have an interest, right or privilege.

7

"Ponce de Leon Baptist Church agrees that the



Second Baptist Church, its assets, properties, rights and privileges, and its members, shall be accepted in the said merger, so that each member coming from the Second Baptist Church shall have equal fellowship, interest and share with the members of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church in the merged church.

8

"It is further agreed that the merged church corporation will accept all the said assets, property, rights, privileges and trusts of the Second Baptist Church, subject to existing encumbrances and charges thereon, as well as those of the Ponce de Leon Church, and will assume all contractual obligations of said churches.

9

"The provisions of this contract referring to name, location, charter, Articles of Faith and By-Laws are subject to the right of the two churches at the time of the merger, or of the merged church, to make such changes or modifications as may be desired in respect thereto.

10

"This agreement shall be effective and the two congregations and churches shall be merged as of the date when this contract shall have been signed, upon proper authority of each church corporation, by the respective Pastors, by the Chairman of the Board of Deacons of the Ponce de Leon Church, and by the

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Second Baptist Church, and by their respective Church Clerks.

"IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals and executed these presents in duplicate the day and the year first written above.

	:	PONCE DE LEON BAPTIST CHURCH
	:	
Witnesses	:	By: Luther Rice Christie, Pastor
	:	
A. B. Carver	:	H. S. Collinsworth, Chairman
	:	
Frank Bridges	:	Board of Deacons
	:	
	:	Marcus M. Emmert, Church Clerk
	:	
	:	SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF
	:	ATLANTA, GEORGIA
	:	
Witnesses	:	By: Ryland Knight, Pastor
	:	
W. G. Johnson	:	F. W. Patterson, Chairman
	:	
M. Mote	:	Executive Committee
	:	
	:	S. E. Dellinger, Church Clerk

"Approval of the signing of the above agreement was given at a special conference of the church on November 9, 1932."

# *History of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church*

Based on "Brief History of the Church," manual of Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, 1910.

In a manual of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church published in March, 1910, there is a very complete history of its origin and early activities. We quote from this history:

"At the regular monthly meeting of the board of deacons of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga., held Monday evening, June 27th, 1904, Dr. William Warren Landrum, the pastor, stated that he thought the church should take some steps looking toward the opening of a Sunday School in the northern portion of the city of Atlanta. He suggested that the board recommend to the church the appointment of a committee to investigate the field."

The recommendation was submitted to the church at its regular monthly conference, held Wednesday evening, June 29th, 1904. Mr. George M. Brown moved to amend the resolution submitted by the deacons so as to add the words, "or establishing a Baptist church," and the resolution as amended was adopted and read as follows, viz: "That a committee consisting of J. W. Wills, as chairman, and W. J. Northen, J. B. Whitehead, George W. Forrester, Rutherford

Lipscomb, Fred B. Law, J. H. Crawford and George M. Brown be, and are hereby, appointed to investigate the field in the northern section of Atlanta, with a view of starting a Sunday School or establishing a Baptist Church at some point in that section selected by said committee."

Mr. John W. Wills and Mr. George M. Brown, representing the committee, spent the entire afternoon on Sunday, July 17, 1904, in walking over the territory and investigating the field, and after deliberate consideration, they agreed that an independent Baptist church ought to be organized in that locality. At a meeting of the committee held on August 1st, 1904, it was decided to make the following report, viz: "We do not think it advisable to undertake to start a Sunday School in that section, as we do not think this a field that can be reached by a mission Sunday School.

"2nd. We believe that a new Baptist church should be started in that section at some point north of North Avenue and we think it ought to be started under the auspices of this church and at once. Looking to this end, we recommend



that this church adopt the following resolution, viz:

"Recognizing the great need of a church of our denomination in the northern section of this city, which is now without Church facilities so far as the Baptists are concerned, we hereby release any and all members of this church, if they so desire, from payment of their subscriptions to our new church building, corner of Peachtree and Cain streets, provided they will subscribe and pay an equal amount, to be used to build a church building at some point in the northern part of this city for our denomination, selected by a committee appointed for this purpose, it being understood that a suitable lot be purchased and suitable building erected thereon at a cost of not less than twenty thousand dollars, for lot, building and furnishings, which said amount is to be raised in approved subscriptions before this action shall be binding on the church as to releasing said parties from their present subscriptions."

On Wednesday night, August 3rd, 1904, the report of the committee was presented to the regular monthly conference of the First Baptist Church and was adopted; and a committee consisting of George M. Brown and John W. Wills, William J. Northen, Fred B. Law, Joseph B. Whitehead and John M. Green, was appointed to select a lot and raise subscriptions to the amount of \$20,000.00.

This committee selected Mrs. J. W. Wills and Mrs. George M. Brown to take charge of the work among the Baptist women of that section and interest them in the movement.

Many meetings of the committee were held; interest in the church began to grow; and members of all Baptist churches living in that locality were invited to join with the committee in carrying the movement to a successful termination. At a meeting of the Atlanta Baptist Ministers' conference, held September 19th, 1904, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, viz:

"Resolved that the Baptist Minister's Conference has learned with great pleasure of the action of the First Baptist Church in directing its committee to organize and build a new Baptist church in North Atlanta, in the Peachtree district, and as a conference representing the whole Baptist brotherhood, we desire to record our unanimous judgment; First, That such a movement is timely and even necessary, in behalf of the Baptist cause in Atlanta, at the present time. Second, That it is an opportune movement,

for which success and prosperity seem assured. Third, We pledge to the movement our own sympathy and interest and will seek in every way to assist the movement financially, praying God's blessing upon it."

At a meeting held September 28th, 1904, of all the men who had signified their intention to join the new church, the required subscription for \$20,000.00 was completed and the committee was instructed to secure an option on the lot situated at the corner of Ponce de Leon and Piedmont Avenues and to make a report to the conference of the First Baptist Church to be held that night, that it had finished its work.

The report of the committee was adopted by the First Baptist Church and letters were granted to all its members who requested them, for the purpose of organizing the new church, and they were released from their subscriptions to the building fund of that church, amounting to \$7,550.00.

In accordance with notice given by the committee, in the afternoon of Thursday, October 6th, 1904, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Brown, 584 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga., the church was organized, with the following one hundred fifteen (115) charter members, viz:

John W. Wills, Mrs. J. W. Wills, George M. Brown, Mrs. George M. Brown, Rutherford Lipscomb, Mrs. Rutherford Lipscomb, George W. Forrester, Mrs. George W. Forrester, Wm. J. Northen, Mrs. Wm. J. Northen, Miss Annie Bell Northen, P. D. Baker, Albert T. Spalding, D.D., Mrs. A. T. Spalding, S. T. Maret, Mrs. S. T. Maret, Edw. M. Durant, Mrs. E. M. Durant, Mrs. John G. Bell, George W. Coates, Mrs. George W. Coates, Virgil E. Perryman, P. H. Baker, Mrs. P. H. Baker, Howard McCall, Mrs. Howard McCall, Miss Lillie Lukenbill, J. D. Carter, Mrs. J. D. Carter, Wm. T. Crenshaw, Mrs. Wm. T. Crenshaw, Wm. E. Hawkins, Orion S. Nunnally, E. M. Yow, Mrs. E. M. Yow, W. F. Dykes, Mrs. W. F. Dykes, George W. McCarty, Mrs. George W. McCarty, George W. McCarty, Jr., Mrs. Walton H. Wiggs, Rucker McCarty, Miss Mignon McCarty, Mrs. Will D. Green, Mrs. R. L. Turman, Mrs. George P. Fuller, Mrs. John McCullough, J. M. Crawford, Mrs. J. M. Crawford, J. H. Crawford, Mrs. J. H. Crawford, Mrs. Sarah Carter Banks, Horace S. Collinsworth, Mrs. H. S. Collinsworth, Mrs. S. A. Collinsworth, Miss Mattie Collinsworth, Miss Jennie Collinsworth, Miss Nellie Collinsworth, Miss Marie Collinsworth, Joseph B. Whitehead,

Robert Forrester, Fred B. Law, Miss Ella Baker, Miss Nell Baker, Miss Em. Baker, Mrs. Louise S. Foster, Edgar Dunlap, Claude Yow, Phillip Yow, Mrs. John M. Moore, Wharton Moore, Miss Bessie Moore, Howell Cloud, A. M. Lloyd, Charles P. Byrd, Charles D. Meador, Jr., Mrs. Charles D. Meador, Mrs. E. A. Lukenbill, Mrs. Logan Crichton, Mrs. Charles F. Barnwell, Harold Barnwell, Miss Willie Russell Law, J. K. McCall, Mrs. J. K. McCall, Mrs. Mabel Hillyer Hemphill, A. L. Tidwell, Mrs. A. L. Tidwell, Byron H. King, Mrs. B. H. King, Miss Sarah B. Coates, Wm. W. Martin, Mrs. Wm. W. Martin, Chas. T. Nunnally, Mrs. Chas. T. Nunnally, James T. Dunlap, Charles G. Lippold, Mrs. Charles G. Lippold, O. E. Horton, M. C. Horton, Miss May McCall, Miss Mary P. McCall, Mrs. M. B. Barnes, Miss Annie Kate Barnes, Mrs. Dora Ragland, Mrs. Clarence May, Benjamin H. Abrams, Mrs. George W. Brooke, Charles A. Bowen, Robert P. Jones, Mrs. Joseph D. Rhodes, R. G. Dunwody, Mrs. R. G. Dunwody, Wm. T. Spalding, Mrs. Wm. T. Spalding, Miss Lelia McCall.

Eighty-four (84) of the above persons held letters from the First Baptist Church, nineteen (19) from the Second Baptist Church, four (4) from the Jackson Hill Baptist Church and one from the Capitol Avenue Baptist Church, of Atlanta, Ga.; one from College Park Baptist Church, one from Baptist Church of Montgomery, Ala., two (2) from Canton, Georgia, and one from the Baptist Church of Carrollton, Georgia.

Ex-Gov. Wm. J. Northen called the meeting to order, and after prayer by Dr. A. T. Spalding, the Church Covenant and Articles of Faith were presented by Dr. W. W. Landrum, who had been appointed by the committee to select same. After they had been read, they were adopted, subject to the approval of a council of Baptist churches, which had been called to meet Sunday afternoon, October 9th, 1904, for the purpose of recognizing the new church. Bro. Wm. J. Northen was elected chairman of the church to serve until a pastor was called. W. F. Dykes was elected temporary clerk, and Chas. G. Lippoldt temporary treasurer. The name "Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church," of Atlanta, Georgia, was selected for the new church.

The North Avenue Presbyterian Church tendered the use of their church building for so long a time as the church might desire to use it, and this fraternal courtesy was accepted and their building was used for six months.

At three o'clock Sunday afternoon, October

9th, 1904, a church council, composed of representatives of the First Baptist, Second Baptist, and Jackson Hill Baptist Churches, of Atlanta, met in the Sunday School room of the First Baptist Church and formally approved the Covenant and Articles of Faith adopted by the church and recognized the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church as a regularly constituted Baptist church. The right hand of fellowship was extended to Brother Northen, representing the church, by Dr. Landrum, chairman of the council.

After adjournment of the council, the church met in conference and elected Wm. J. Northen, John W. Wills, George M. Brown, Fred B. Law, George W. McCarty and J. M. Crawford deacons.

That same afternoon the doors of the church were opened and Mr. I. Randolph Banks and Miss Marguerite V. Carter presented themselves for membership and candidates for baptism upon profession of Faith. Also, an offering to State Missions was made, amounting to \$261.85.

The next meeting of the church was held in the lecture room of the North Avenue Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon, October 16th, 1904, for the purpose of electing a permanent church clerk and treasurer and to organize the Sunday School. Brother W. F. Dykes was elected clerk and Chas. G. Lippoldt, treasurer. The following officers were selected for the Sunday School: Rutherford Lipscomb, superintendent; C. T. Nunnally, assistant superintendent; H. H. McCall, secretary; Geo. W. McCarty, treasurer; and Miss Nell Baker, organist. Thereafter Sunday School was held every Sunday afternoon in the basement of the North Avenue Presbyterian Church, after which the church met for public worship, with preaching by some minister selected by a committee on pulpit supply. Prayer meeting was held every Thursday evening, usually conducted by some member of the church. New members were being constantly added.

At the meeting held on October 16th, 1904, Mr. Haralson Bleckley, of Atlanta, was selected as architect to prepare plans for the church building. A building committee consisting of George M. Brown, George W. McCarty, Fred B. Law, O. S. Nunnally, J. W. Wills, Wm. T. Crenshaw, J. M. Crawford, George W. Forrester, J. B. Whitehead, Wm. E. Hawkins, E. M. Durant, and George W. Coates was appointed.

The first meeting of the church for public worship was held Sunday afternoon, October 30th, 1904, and Dr. Wm. W. Landrum preached the first sermon to the new church.



The following committee to select a pastor was appointed, viz: George W. McCarty, chairman; and George M. Brown, Wm. E. Hawkins, J. W. Wills, J. M. Crawford, Fred B. Law, O. S. Nunnally, Rutherford Lipscomb, O. E. Horton, Chas. G. Lippoldt and Edgar Dunlap. On December 25th, 1904, the committee made its report recommending Rev. Junius W. Millard as pastor, and the recommendation was adopted and the church extended a call to its pastorate to Rev. Junius W. Millard, pastor of the Eutaw Place Baptist Church, of Baltimore, Md. Mr. Millard signified his acceptance of the call on January 5, 1905, and entered upon the duties of the pastorate on March 17th, 1905.

Meantime the lot on the corner of Ponce de Leon Avenue and Piedmont Avenue had been purchased, and the church had applied for and obtained a charter from the Superior Court of Fulton county, Georgia.

In April, 1905, a temporary tabernacle was erected on Piedmont Avenue, across the street from the property owned by the church on a lot belonging to the Peters Land Company, which lot was offered to the church by Mr. Edward C. Peters, for so long a time as it might desire it, free of charge. The church held its first services in the tabernacle building on April 23rd, 1905, and continued to use it for more than a year.

On June 24th, 1905, the contract for the erection of the permanent building was let to Mr. George A. Clayton, of Atlanta, Ga., and the building was completed and the church held its first service in the main auditorium of the new church building on Sunday, September 9th, 1906. At this meeting a collection was taken up to complete the amount due on account of the cost of the building, furnishings and lot, and \$6,400.00 was subscribed.

The lot, church building and furnishings, including the organ, cost over \$60,000.00, of which amount \$10,000.00 was loaned to the church by the State Mission Board of the Georgia Baptist convention.

On Sunday, September 16th, 1906, the new building was dedicated. Dr. Wm. W. Landrum, president of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist convention, and pastor of the First Baptist Church, preached the sermon, his subject being, 1 Corinthians, 3:9, "Ye Are God's Building."

The work was progressing most satisfactorily when the Lord laid His hand on our beloved pastor. In November, 1908, Dr. Millard's health

gave way to such an extent that the church voted him four months' vacation. In April, 1909, he returned with the hope that he was permanently restored. Again after several months' effort he was warned by his physician that he must lay aside his pastoral cares, and on the first Sunday in October, 1909, owing to his physical condition he was forced to tender his resignation.

Upon the resignation of Dr. Millard an invitation was extended to Dr. Edwin M. Poteat, President of Furman University of Greenville, S. C., to become permanent supply until a new pastor could be secured. Dr. Poteat accepted, and began his work the third Sunday in October and continued it until the third Sunday in March.

His series of sermons on "The Kingdom of God" marked a new epoch in the spiritual development of the church. His discourses were always strong, stirring, uplifting; and the church grew and prospered under his ministry and soon reached Four Hundred and Eleven (411) members. By his genial personality, as well as by his great pulpit ability, he deeply endeared himself in the affections of our people.

At the conference of the church held Sunday morning, October 4, 1909, the following committee of twenty-five (25) was appointed to select a new pastor, viz:

J. W. Wills, Chairman; W. J. Northen, George M. Brown, Fred B. Law, George W. McCarty, J. M. Crawford, Fred J. Cooledge, Eugene C. Callaway, Arthur B. Caldwell, Chas. T. Nunnally, Jno. M. McCullough, A. L. Mitcham, W. E. Hawkins, S. T. Marett, Rutherford Lipscomb, H. S. Collinsworth, George W. Forrester, Paul S. Etheridge, H. H. McCall, M. A. Fall, W. F. Dykes, Edgar Dunlap, George W. Coates, George W. McKenzie and Chas. G. Lippoldt.

After much prayer and painstaking investigation the Committee of Twenty-five on Sunday, January 16, 1910, recommended to the church that the Rev. Arthur Hale Gordon, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, Mass., be extended a call to become pastor. The church heartily endorsed the action of the committee, and unanimously authorized them to extend the official call to Mr. Gordon. On February 1, 1910, Mr. Gordon formally accepted the pastorate, and signified his intention of entering upon his duties the third Sunday in March.

On the tenth anniversary of the church, the clerk, Mr. M. A. Fall, presented a review of the



growth of the church which may be summarized in the following figures:

October 1907 membership	304
October 1908 membership	374
October 1909 membership	398
October 1910 membership	432
October 1911 membership	446
October 1912 membership	459
October 1913 membership	473
October 1914 membership	507

Total contributions for church support for ten years was \$65,755.12.

The church enjoyed a continued growth through the next decade. From the annual report of 1925 we find that the membership had increased to a total of 1,069 and the financial program of the church had expanded in keeping with the growth in membership, the associational letter for that year showing total gifts to all causes amount to \$49,911.66. The Sunday School having outgrown its quarters, in 1924 the church authorized the construction of an annex for the school at a cost of \$15,000.00 and later added an additional \$3,000.00 for furnishings.

Following World War I, the commercial expansion of Atlanta pushed further out Peachtree Street and Ponce de Leon Ave. A church roll published in October 1906 giving the residence

address of all the members indicates that 95% of the membership lived in the area bounded by Baker Street, North Boulevard, Tenth Street, and Spring Street. Twenty years later the area presented an entirely different picture. The leadership of the church found it necessary to look for a more suitable location for continued growth and on June 21, 1929, the church, in conference, authorized the purchase of a lot at the corner of Peachtree Road and Wesley Avenue. The church building on Ponce de Leon Ave. was sold to the Central Congregational Church effective Jan. 1, 1930. On July 24, 1929, the church, in conference, voted to merge with the Buckhead Baptist Church effective Sept. 1, 1929.

On Jan. 8, 1930, the church, in conference, authorized the Building Committee to project a campaign to raise additional funds needed to begin building at Peachtree and Wesley. A contract was awarded on March 31, 1930, for the first two floors of the Sanctuary Building. This part of the building was completed and occupied for the first time August 3, 1930.

In its new home the church was effectively organized in all departments, and continued to maintain a healthy growth. Its membership remained loyal during this period of change and fully vindicated the wisdom of the leaders of the church in taking this important step.

## *History of the Buckhead Baptist Church*

The Buckhead Baptist Church was organized in the summer of 1911 by a group of laymen and ministers who felt the need of a church in the Buckhead area. Spearheading the action of organizing were Dr. Charles W. Daniel, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta; Mr. John M. Green, of the Sunday School Board; and Mr. W. W. Gaines, of the Baptist Home Mission Board. The first services, a series of revival meetings, were held under a tent where the Fire Department is now located, and were conducted by the Rev. W. G. Goodwin. With a canvas as its first edifice, the Buckhead Church was launched upon its journey of Christian ministry. But these humble circumstances were soon left behind in the march of progress. A building program was organized, under the direction of Mr. J. S. Donaldson. This culminated in the erection of a church building. This was on W. Paces Ferry Road where the "Swap Shop" is now located. Rev. E. H. Peacock was called to serve as Pastor.

The Home Mission Board supplemented the offerings of the young church to enable it to meet its financial obligations. One of the lay members, who has insisted on remaining anonymous, volunteered to pay outstanding bills, as well as to shoulder a considerable part of the financial burden.

The various facets of church work, such as a Sunday School, Woman's Missionary Union, Royal Ambassadors, and Sunbeams, were organized early and began to function with vigor. The church thus got under way nicely, in spite of occasional reverses, and weathered the storms that were to come. Many of us remember how, in the darkest hours, Dr. Arthur Hale Gordon, Pastor of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, came out and conducted prayer meetings in members' homes on Thursday nights.

A pastorium was erected on Peachtree Avenue. Pastors who subsequently served the church were: Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw, Rev. J. H. Fuller, Rev. Chauncey W. Foote, Rev. R. W. Edenfield,

Dr. Weston Bruner, and Rev. Geoffrey C. Henschelwood. Members who served in the capacity of Superintendent of the Sunday School were: R. M. Baker, J. T. Nesbitt, Elton M. Chapman, Joe L. McMillin, John W. Elliott, and C. W. King. The following ladies served as President of the Woman's Missionary Union: Mrs. C. W. King, Mrs. George Mathieson, Mrs. R. W. Edenfield, Mrs. C. W. Foote, Mrs. J. S. Donaldson, and Mrs. John S. Thompson.

Due to the destruction of records in a warehouse fire, many details of the history of the Buckhead Church are unfortunately lacking. In preparing this account we have had to rely on memory to a considerable extent and glean what we can from the memory of other "old timers". Among interesting anecdotes from the early days, one may recall, for instance, how in 1921, Dr. Upshaw would trudge about the hills of Buckhead, visiting members of his flock on foot. Some of the members of the congregation attempted to raise money to buy him a Ford, but this was an unsuccessful venture. Dr. and Mrs. Upshaw celebrated their golden wedding anniversary during his tenure as Pastor and apropos the occasion received from members of the church a purse of several gold coins. Soon afterward Dr. Upshaw retired from the ministry, after a long and fruitful Christian service.

Mr. John W. Elliott, who served notably as

Superintendent of the Sunday School, gives a glowing account of the Sunday School's development and progress during the days when the church grew up from infancy and developed strong legs of its own. There was continual readjustment to new quarters—some makeshift, but always larger. A vacant store, an unused lodge hall, any structure that could be used, would eventually become overcrowded with youngsters and oldsters who came in increasing numbers to learn of God through the ministry of the Buckhead Church. The various departments were so scattered, at one time, that when the State Sunday School Secretary came to investigate the Buckhead Sunday School on its application for a Standard of Excellence certificate, he found Mr. Elliott walking the streets during the Sunday School hour. Mr. Elliott hastened to explain that he was making his rounds of the departments. The Sunday School, of course, was granted the Standard of Excellence.

On September 1, 1929, the Buckhead Church merged with the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church—a major event in its history. In so doing, it did not cease to exist. Rather, like the merging of two rivers, it became a greater entity, moving onward with more strength and vigor in the service of God.

—MRS. GEORGE MATHIESON

## *History of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

The first meeting of the Board of Deacons of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church was held November 21, 1932, and a committee was appointed to study the matter of completing the church and Sunday School building. The committee was composed of the following members: Fred W. Patterson, Chairman; H. W. Beers, George M. Brown, J. Glen Dodson, Julian M. Harrison, Harrison Jones, L. Arthur Witherpoon. After making a comprehensive study of the original plans and specifications, the committee concluded that since ideas and methods had changed somewhat in the conduct of a Sunday School, that the original plans should be sent to the Sunday School Board, in Nashville, Tennessee, for recommendations as to revisions that might be practical, in view of the large membership to be accommodated. With recommendations from the Sunday School Board regarding proposed changes in the plans of the

church building, the committee requested and received authority to make such changes as might be found necessary. This authority was granted at the Conference in March, 1934.

A campaign was started in 1934 to raise the necessary funds to complete the Sanctuary and, based on subscriptions received, the church in conference, on July 8, 1934, granted authority to obtain a loan for such amount as might be necessary to begin the work.

On November 1, 1934, Church Night services were begun, with supper being served at 6:30 each Wednesday night.

A contract was let and work on finishing the Sanctuary building progressed to the point where the regular church service was held in the uncompleted structure on Sunday morning, March 29, 1936, after which a campaign was started to raise the funds necessary to complete the structure. The work progressed steadily and the



building was completed, furnished and dedicated October 10, 1937.

The Board of Deacons, on November 3, 1937, approved a resolution providing for a Sunrise Service at 7:00 A. M. on Thanksgiving morning, followed by a breakfast, served in the Social Hall at 8:00 A. M.

The membership of the church was approximately 2,300 at the time of the merger. Due largely to the fact that many of the members lived on opposite sides of the city from the new church, many removed their membership to churches in their neighborhoods, so that the net membership declined to around 1,500 in 1934, when the church started an active campaign to complete its building program. From this time on, the membership gained steadily, showing a net membership of approximately 2,500 at the close of Dr. Knight's pastorate on January 31, 1945.

Looking toward a plan of encouraging the younger men of the church to active participation in its work, in the year 1939 a committee was appointed to formulate plans to this end. The result of the study of this committee was the organization in the latter part of 1939 of an Advisory Council, to consist of a group of men under the age of forty years and over twenty-one years. The first group was limited to twenty-one members, but as the church membership increased, more have been added until the present Advisory Council has a membership of thirty-three.

The duties of this Council, as set forth in their By-Laws and approved by the church, are as follows:

"The Council, in co-operation with the Pastor and Chairman of the Board of Deacons and the appropriate department or committee head, will sponsor and promote the Sunday evening services, the Baptist Training Union, Sunday School, Boy Scouts, and other groups, and promote other activities of the church by sponsoring special programs, enlisting new members, visiting new and old members, particularly the younger groups; participating in the Every-Member Canvass, assisting with the ushering, taking of offerings, welcoming, publicity, and other activities of the church and its various groups."

Early in 1943, the church authorized the employment of an Educational Director. Mr. John K. Durst was secured to fill this position, beginning his duties here on October 1, 1943.

In March, 1946, the church in Conference

authorized the purchase of a home on Rumson Road, to be used as a Pastorium.

The Southern Baptist Convention, in 1946, launched a campaign to raise \$3,500,000.00 for rehabilitation of Mission property in war-torn areas of the world and for the relief of suffering in these areas. The church unanimously agreed to co-operate in this campaign and accepted an allotment of \$25,000.00.

The Committee on Survey and Planning reported to the church Conference on October 9, 1946, with the following recommendations:

"That a Building Committee be appointed, with instructions to have tentative plans drawn for a new building and alterations to the present building."

"Further, that the proper officers of the church be authorized to accept any contributions which might be offered for the proposed new building and improvements."

Fred W. Patterson, Julian M. Harrison, Sr., Wayne K. Rivers, Carlton W. Binns, and Dr. Monroe F. Swiley, Jr., were appointed as this committee, the purpose of this action being to commit the church to a definite policy on this matter.

On November 7, 1946, the church adopted the Unified Budget method of church financing, and approved a budget for 1947, summarized as follows:

Current Expense Budget	\$71,568.00
Building Expansion Fund	25,000.00
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	\$96,568.00
Missions	\$96,568.00

The question of the establishment of another Baptist Church somewhere in the area north of Piedmont Road, having been considered, the Board of Deacons reached the conclusion that a suitable site should be purchased for a church when the normal development of the area should make it advisable to promote one. Accordingly, at the Church Conference held April 2, 1947, it was recommended that a parcel of land fronting on Peachtree Road 250 ft. and extending back on Wieuca Road approximately 689 ft. be purchased. The church adopted this recommendation and authorized the purchase of this property, at a cost of \$31,000.00. This purchase was financed by the sale of the old Buckhead Baptist Church property, on West Paces Ferry Road, for the sum of \$20,000.00, and the appropriation of the balance from the Missions fund of the church.

Plans for enlargement of the church plant proceeded to the point where the Board of



Deacons brought the following recommendation to the church on July 11, 1948:

"BE IT RESOLVED, First, That the Building Committee of our church be instructed to proceed immediately, in conjunction with the architect, to draw up plans for our new building;

"Second: That the Finance Committee be instructed to present a definite plan to finance this project, in connection with our financial program for 1949;

"Third: That the church look definitely toward beginning the new building in 1949, unless hindered by unseen economic developments or international complications."

This resolution was adopted.

An opportunity to purchase the property occupied by the Beverly DuBose family, adjacent to the church on the north side, was presented to the church by the Board of Deacons on March 16, 1949. Realizing that the acquisition of this property would to a large extent solve the problem of parking, as well as furnish needed space for a reasonable expansion of the proposed Educational Building, the church approved the purchase of this property, at a cost of \$85,000.00, thus more than doubling the ground area of the church property.

After a survey had been made, Rev. Charles Howard Allen, Educational Director, on Sunday, August 14, 1949, started a Sunday School in a newly developed area north of Oglethorpe University.

On January 11, 1950, Fred W. Patterson, Chairman of the Building Committee, presented the following resolution to the church:

"The Building Committee recommends to the church that a contract be let for the building of the concrete drive in connection with the new building and the parking lot, and the construction of the parking lot.

"It is also recommended that bids be received on the construction of the first two floors of the Educational Building, the awarding of which to be exercised on the successful completion of the canvass."

On motion, duly seconded, this recommendation was adopted.

The church, at a special Called Conference, held August 6, 1950, authorized the Building Committee to make a contract with Henry C. Beck & Co. for the construction of the first two floors of the Educational Building, for the sum of \$330,750.00.

On January 14, 1951, the church at a Called

Conference authorized the awarding of a supplemental contract to Henry C. Beck Co. for construction of the third floor of the Educational Building, at a cost of \$121,721.00. The expenditure of \$25,000.00 was authorized for furnishings for the Educational Building at the Conference held April 11, 1951.

The Church Conference, on June 13, 1951, authorized the remodeling of the DuBose residence to make it suitable for a Pastorium.

Work on the Chapel Building progressed satisfactorily and Dedication services were held January 25, 1953. Dr. J. D. Grey, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, preached at the morning service on the subject: "Despise Not the Church of God." A special dedication service was held in the Social Hall at 3:00 P.M. and Dr. Ryland Knight preached at the evening service. All services were largely attended by representatives from other churches and by leaders of the denomination throughout the state. A final audit of the cost of alterations and construction of the Chapel Building showed a net cost of \$712,897.00, not including cost of the additional lot purchased.

Many of the members generously came forward with special donations to help with the furnishings of the new building. Notable among these were the contributions by Mrs. William Walker Brookes of the two beautiful chandeliers and six crystal wall brackets, in the new Chapel. The chandelier in the foyer was given by Mrs. Leonard T. Cottongim. Grand pianos were given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Eubanks and Mrs. William B. Kee and her son, Thomas Bates Kee. Chippendale chairs were given by Mrs. Cottongim, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mathews, Jr., Mrs. J. Frank Fair, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McCrary and Frances and Wiley McCrary. Carpet runners were given for the Chapel by Mrs. Charles R. Younts.

During the year 1953 a committee, previously appointed to study the situation and make recommendations regarding the possibility of starting a new church at Peachtree and Wieuca Roads, made their report and recommended that January 1, 1954, be set as the date to begin this effort. A religious census of the area was made and plans are under way to begin the organization of a church in this location in the near future.

With an enlarged plant and a steadily growing membership, it became more and more apparent that the Pastor needed an assistant. On September 1, 1953, Mr. Oliver C. Wilbanks

came to the church as Educational Director, succeeding Rev. Charles Howard Allen, who became Assistant to the Pastor.

The future of the church is very bright. As preparations were being made to celebrate this Centennial Year, the Pastor expressed a hope that the church could do something during the year for the Great Head of the Church that would be outstanding. After the budget was made up for current expenses and building retirement obligations amounting to \$215,952.00, our Pastor challenged the congregation to match this amount for Missions. The church accepted the challenge and began an Every-Member Canvass to raise the necessary pledges. When the deadline approached for adopting the budget for 1954, pledges were about \$20,000.00 short of the goal, whereupon some twenty members called a council among themselves and underwrote the balance, thus enabling the church to adopt for this Centennial Year of 1954 a total budget of \$431,952.00.

The membership has grown steadily under

the ministry of Dr. Swilley. From a membership of 2,500 when he began, it has grown to more than 3,600. All departments of the church are well organized and functioning efficiently, under his splendid leadership.

Leaving the future to some chronicler to record the working in this locality of God's grace, we close this chapter with the following lines, penned by an eminent Divine on leaving a pastorate which he had served with distinction for more than fifteen years:

"We stand upon the threshold of these years  
And backward look, and forward strain our eyes;  
Upon the grateful record fall our tears;  
While brushing them aside, a sweet surprise  
Breaks like a day dawn on our upturned face,  
And we remember all God's daily grace.  
Thou hast been good to us; the burdened past  
Thou hast borne with us, and the future days  
Are in Thy hands. We tremble not, but cast  
Our care upon Thee, and in prayer and praise  
Would humbly make the coming years the  
best . . ."

## *Church Night*

One of the happiest services held at Second-Ponce de Leon Church is the Wednesday evening service which through the years has been called "Church Night". This midweek meeting has the happy ingredients of fellowship, worship, Bible study, singing, praying, and a wonderful family meal. At first the families of the church were invited through a "host and hostess" arrangement and soon the Social Hall in the Sanctuary Building was filled to overflowing with those who responded to the invitations. The capacity of the old Social Hall was about 200 and it became necessary to equip the adjoining hallways and nearby rooms with tables and chairs, in order to take care of those who came.

Church Night was moved to the new Social Hall when we entered the Chapel Building and this more beautiful and spacious meeting place has been filled to near capacity each Wednesday evening.

Outstanding leaders have served as Chairmen of the Church Night Committee, which ably cared for details in connection with the meeting:

Marcus M. Emmert  
J. Frank Fair  
Wayne K. Rivers  
Frank A. Hooper, Jr.  
W. J. Shiver  
Walter R. Thomas  
Charles E. Wilson, Jr.



# Second Baptist Church

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Northwest Corner of Washington and Mitchell Sts.

(Aggregate Membership 196)

Conference—Saturday before the 2d Sabbath in each month.

Communion—Sabbath following Monthly Conference.

Services every Sabbath at 10½ o'clock A. M.

W. T. BRANTLEY, *Pastor*

JOHN MILLEDGE, JR., *Clerk*

## DEACONS

Bomar, B. F.  
McDaniel, I. O.

White, Edward  
Callaway, James H.

## COMMUNICANTS

Adair, G. B.  
Alexander, Mrs. A. E.  
Anderson, Mrs. E. B.  
Andrews, Ezra  
Andrews, Mrs. Fannie  
Armstrong, Dr. W. S.  
Atkinson, Mrs. Anna E.  
Bagby, W. R.  
Bagby, Mrs. A. H.  
Barnard, Mrs. Mary  
Bell, F. R.  
Bell, Mrs. Mary  
Benton, Miss Susan  
Blanchard, M. C.  
Blanchard, Mrs. Martha S.  
Bomar, B. F.  
Bomar, Mrs. J. E. L.  
Bomar, John  
Bomar, Mrs. Anna  
Brantley, Miss Louisa  
Brown, Jos. E.  
Brown, Mrs. Elizabeth  
Brown, C. I.  
Brown, Mrs. Mary  
Butt, Wm. M.  
Butt, Mrs. Wm. M.  
Butt, Mrs. Rebecca  
Butt, Jesse  
Butt, Timothy  
Butt, Miss Fannie  
Butt, Miss Elizabeth

Callaway, Jas. H.  
Callaway, Mrs. Sarah  
Chisolm, Mrs. Rebecca  
Chisolm, Miss Ellen  
Chisolm, Miss Cornelia  
Chisolm, Miss Martha  
Clarke, Jas.  
Clarke, J. W.  
Clarke, Mrs. Lydda  
Clarke, Miss Mary  
Clarke, Mrs. Parmelia  
Clarke, Miss Alice  
Clarke, Miss Eugenia E.  
Connor, Geo. C.  
Connor, Mrs. Louisa  
Cuthbert, Robert  
Cutting, J. L.  
Cutting, Mrs. Eliza  
Davis, Mrs. Ada A.  
Dorsey, Mrs. M. E.  
Dubose, Mrs. M.  
Dunn, Mrs. Laura C.  
Echols, Mrs. Ruth W.  
Eyell, Miss Caroline  
Fleming, Mrs. Maria  
Fleming, Mrs. O. E.  
Franklin, J. H.  
Frick, Mrs. Caroline  
Gardner, Mrs. Rebecca  
Gaskill, Rev. V. A.  
Gaskill, Mrs. M. A.

Gee, Wm.  
Gee, Mrs. S. A.  
Glenn, H. H.  
Glenn, Howell  
Glenn, Thos. J.  
Glenn, Mrs. Mildred  
Glenn, Miss Sallie  
Goldsmith, Mrs. Sarah  
Gregory, F. M.  
Gregory, Ferdinand  
Gregory, Mrs. S. A.  
Gregory, Miss Catharine  
Grubb, Samuel  
Grubb, Mrs. Ellen A. G.  
Grubb, Mrs. Eliza H. W.  
Hamilton, Miss M. A. E.  
Hammond, Mrs. L. T.  
Harris, Mrs. Judge  
Harris, Miss Frances  
Harris, Miss Josephine  
Harris, Miss Matilda  
Henderson, Miss Sallie E.  
Higginbotham, Mark  
Hill, John R.  
Hill, Mrs. Dartha  
Hillyer, Henry  
Holmes, Mrs. Hester A.  
Holmes, Mrs. Martha  
Hulsey, Mrs. Josephine  
Humphreys, Mrs. Rebecca  
Hunt, J. W.



Hunt, Mrs. Martha A.  
 Hunter, Mrs. P. R.  
 James, John H.  
 Johnson, Miss Eliza  
 Jones, Miss Lucy  
 Kendrick, S. S.  
 Kendrick, Mrs. E. H.  
 Kidd, Mrs. N.  
 Knott, Rev. Richard  
 Knott, Mrs. Sarah E.  
 Knott, Miss L. P.  
 Knott, Miss Martha A.  
 Krogg, Mrs. Jane  
 Lane, Mrs. Rebecca  
 Lee, Sanders W.  
 Lee, Mrs. Anna  
 Lee, Miss Mary  
 Love, Mrs. Tabitha  
 Luckie, Mrs.  
 Lynn, Mrs. Amanda M.  
 Lynn, Miss Mary  
 Lynn, Miss Susan  
 Marshall, Rev. A. E.  
 Martin, T. A.  
 Massey, Dr. R. J.  
 Massey, Mrs. R. J.  
 Massey, Mrs. Sophia  
 Mathews, A. B.  
 McBride, A. J.  
 McDaniel, I. O.  
 McDaniel, Egbert  
 McDaniel, P. E.  
 McDaniel, Ira  
 McDaniel, Mrs. C. J.  
 McDaniel, Mrs. R. J.

McDaniel, Mrs. L. C.  
 McDaniel, Miss Vesta J.  
 Meredith, Mrs. Georgia  
 Meredith, Miss Cordelia  
 Miller, Mrs. Mary  
 Nace, Mrs. Anna B.  
 Neal, John  
 Neal, Miss Emma  
 Nelson, Mrs. Nancy  
 Newman, Mrs. A. E.  
 Nix, Mrs. Ann  
 Nunnally, A. F.  
 Nunnally, Mrs. A. F.  
 O'Keefe, D. C.  
 O'Keefe, Mrs. Sarah  
 Parch, Mrs. Elizabeth  
 Pittman, M.  
 Pittman, Mrs. Lou  
 Pope, Mrs. W.  
 Potts, Miss Lavinia  
 Pound, Mrs.  
 Reeves, Mrs. N. J.  
 Richards, J. J.  
 Richards, S. P.  
 Richards, H. H.  
 Richards, Mrs. S. P.  
 Richards, Mrs. Ellen  
 Richardson, Mrs.  
 Roach, Dr. E. J.  
 Roach, Mrs. E. J.  
 Rucker, Mrs. L. V.  
 Scruggs, Wm. L.  
 Scruggs, Mrs. Judith  
 Seals, Mrs. John H.  
 Sisson, Henry

Smith, Samuel  
 Smith, T. T.  
 Smith, Mrs. T. T.  
 Smith, Mrs. Joseph  
 Smith, Miss Elizabeth  
 Smith, Mrs. Elizabeth  
 Spear, Mrs. Elizabeth  
 Spear, Miss Sallie  
 Spiller, Miss Eddie  
 Stubner, Mrs. Anna  
 Taylor, Mrs. Susan  
 Tippen, J. B.  
 Toon, J. J.  
 Toon, Mrs. J. J.  
 Verdery, S. A.  
 Verdery, M. R.  
 Ware, Dr. J. E. H.  
 Watkins, Mrs. R. D.  
 Welborn, A. R.  
 Wells, Mrs. Elizabeth  
 Werner, Mrs.  
 West, Thos. W.  
 West, Mrs. Mary J.  
 West, Henry A.  
 Whitaker, J. I.  
 Whitaker, Mrs. Nannie E.  
 Whitaker, Miss Isabella J.  
 White, Edward  
 White, Mrs. Mary A.  
 White, Miss M. D.  
 Wiker, Mrs. Catharine  
 Williams, Mrs. Mary L.  
 Willis, Charles  
 Zimmerman, R. P.  
 Zimmerman, Mrs. Bethie M.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL

Aggregate Number of Teachers and Pupils . . . . .	250
Average Attendance.....	200

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# *The Daughters of the Second Baptist Church*

(Reprinted from Semi-Centennial History)

## *Immanuel Baptist Church*

By S. A. COWAN

To present the history of a church, even of one so young, in such a brief space is a difficult task.

Immanuel Baptist Church, corner of East Fair street and Berean avenue, was conceived of the Holy Spirit in the heart of the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church. The recitation of the early history of the mission, out of which the church grew, is a story of sacrifice, devotion and determination not often seen.

In November, 1894, a Sunday-school was organized in a three-room cottage on East Fair street, near Berean avenue, with about fifty pupils. The partitions of the house were removed to gain more space. It was soon found that more room was needed to accommodate the school, so after two years' work at this place the mission rented and moved into Berean Congregational church at the intersection of Berean Avenue and Powell Street. The attendance continued to increase. While in this building an arm of the Second Baptist Church was extended, giving the right to receive members and administer the ordinances. Here the mission voluntarily assumed the name of Berean, which it kept for some time afterward.

After three years of continued prosperity at this place the Congregationalists decided to re-organize, so the building had to be abandoned by Berean Mission. A real difficulty was now encountered in securing a building suitable in size and location. A workshop on Cameron street, just south of Woodward avenue was secured. Here the dark ages of the mission came on. The location was not suitable, but there was a band of a faithful few who had faith in God and determination in their souls. The school went down to a membership of about fifty or sixty. The membership of the mission scattered and it looked for a while as if the work would fail, but the faithful few said, "we can not, we shall not fail." During these trying times the question of a permanent building was agitated. The Young Men's Missionary Society was appealed to for help and advice. With the co-operation of this society after some difficulty in deciding upon a lot, they purchased the land on which the church now stands at a cost of \$600.

The place was very uninviting and rough. After paying for the lot and grading there was left in the treasury \$9.55. In various ways money was raised to excavate the furnace room and build the foundation up to the first floor during the first year. During the second year they put on the floor timbers, built the rock steps and pool, and put on the stone water table. The money failed again so they took another rest of a year. The needs of the mission became so urgent they determined to raise subscriptions on which money was borrowed to begin work. To these plans the Second Baptist Church agreed. Five trustees were appointed—three by the Second Church and two by the mission. These trustees were charged with the building of the church, to be deeded to Immanuel when finished. The work was begun anew in December of 1901 and continued until the building could be occupied, which was on June 1, 1902.

On January 5, 1902, the mission, by permission of the Second Baptist Church, organized into an independent church with sixty-eight members. There was great joy from this time on. In April, 1902, Rev. J. S. Goodwin, who had faithfully labored with them as pastor through these struggles, resigned. A committee was appointed to recommend his successor. The present pastor, Rev. Samuel A. Cowan, was chosen and he began his work on the first day of July, 1902. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the work has gone on. God has wonderfully blessed the faithful workers. It is only just to say that to the persistent and untiring efforts of Mr. E. S. Lumpkin, Immanuel owes more than to any other man for its success. Here in this church all the organizations are in perfect harmony and moving on to greater things. One secret of our success is due to brotherly love and sociability. With a membership of 325, in one of the most substantial and beautiful church buildings in the city we are trying to realize the mission of the Master, who came to seek and to save that which was lost.

## *Woodward Avenue Baptist Church*

By T. G. DAVIS.

In September, 1871, Rev. Jas. F. Edens began a mission on Decatur street between Bell and Grant streets. There was at that time no church

of any denomination for white people in the fourth ward north of the Georgia Railroad and east of Ivy street.

On December 24, 1871, the mission was organized into a church under the name of Fifth Baptist Church, with sixteen members. The Presbytery consisted of Dr. A. T. Spalding, pastor of the Second Baptist Church; Dr. David Shaver and Deacon James H. Callaway, of the Second Church; Dr. E. W. Warren, Rev. E. M. Shumate, I. F. Woodbury, C. K. Maddox and M. C. Kiser, of the First Baptist Church, and N. S. Bailey, pastor of the Baptist Church of Albany, Georgia. Rev. James F. Edens, who had from the first been the father and founder of the work, was elected as pastor.

For a time the church held its services in the lecture room of what is now known as the Atlanta Medical College, where it had been organized. In 1872, Mr. John H. James, of the Second Baptist Church, provided for the church a lot at the corner of Bell and Gilmer streets, and erected on it a church building at a total cost of about \$3,000, which he presented to the struggling body.

This put them in possession of a home. The Church grew in power and influence under the faithful ministry of Mr. Edens, until he resigned in September, 1873. After his resignation the pulpit was supplied by Rev. Spears and others until December 16, 1874, when Rev. V. C. Norcross was extended a call to become pastor. Their call was accepted and Dr. Norcross labored faithfully and earnestly for about twenty years. He was highly esteemed among the brethren as a true minister of Jesus Christ. His work could not be more than hinted at in this connection. Suffice it to say that he shared their joys and sorrows and was to them what they needed in these years of struggle and a large membership was gathered into the church during his pastorate.

His successor was C. N. Donaldson, who resigned after a pastorate of seventeen months.

Rev. Alex. W. Bealer was then called and did the work of a faithful pastor for a little more than two years, when he resigned to take charge of the church at Cartersville, Ga. This earnest minister was succeeded by Rev. J. C. Solomon, who faithfully led his people for a little more than three years. It was during his administration that the old church on Bell and Gilmer streets was sold and the lot on which the Woodward Avenue Baptist Church now stands was purchased. When the congregation left the old house

the name of the church was changed from Fifth Baptist Church to Woodward Avenue Baptist Church.

A temporary tabernacle was erected and used as a meeting house until February, 1903. Under Dr. Solomon's pastorate the present beautiful church house was begun. The present incumbent, Rev. Thomas G. Davis, began his work as pastor November 15, 1902. The outlook for the future of the church is as bright as are the promises of God. With a membership of 400, the auditorium completed, and a rapidly increasing population of the best element of the middle classes, we can see the glorious dawn of a better day. With a well-organized and well-attended Sunday-school, a good B.Y.P.U., and active Woman's Missionary Union, and other auxiliaries and committees necessary to a progressive Baptist church, we expect to take our place among the foremost and best of our sister churches.

## *The Tabernacle*

By LEN G. BROUGHTON

So far as I have been able to find there is no record of the exact date of the formation of the Third Baptist Church. It is a known fact, however, that it went out from the Second Baptist Church. The members purchased a lot on Jones avenue, just by the railroad, and afterward built a church house. For a number of years the organization continued to worship there under the direction of different pastors. Some degree of success was attained.

In the fall of 1898, under the leadership of Rev. Len G. Broughton, who had been pastor of the church about six months, it was decided to purchase the lots on the corner of Luckie and what is now Tabernacle Place, and to build a commodious tabernacle. There was some dissatisfaction with reference to this scheme and about 300 letters were granted members, who for the most part lived in the section of the old church. After the Tabernacle had been completed the Third Baptist Church changed its name to the Baptist Tabernacle of Atlanta. The 300 members who had taken their letters formed themselves into what is known as the Jones Avenue Baptist Church. They purchased the property of the Third Baptist Church from the Tabernacle and have since worshipped there.

The Tabernacle entered its new building March 1, 1899. It had at that time about 350 members on the roll, and many of these were not



available. Its Sunday-school numbered 135 pupils.

The present membership of the church is 1,600. The enrollment of the home Sunday-school is 1,100, mission schools 400, making a total of 1,500 Sunday-school scholars.

Besides its regular church work, the Tabernacle System embraces the Dormitory for Young Ladies, with special class work and Bible instruction. The Tabernacle Infirmary accommodates 35 patients, 20 nurses, besides superintendent, head nurse, housekeeper and other help. A number of mission stations are conducted throughout the city. A School of Domestic Science is just now being organized, which will be in charge of a competent graduate in this department, who will take charge the first of February. Besides the pastor, there are the pastor's assistant, E. H. Peacock; two missionaries and Bible instructors, and a church stenographer. An annual entertainment and lecture course is provided by securing ten of the best attractions on various subjects that can be secured. In March every year there is held the Tabernacle Bible Conference and School of Methods. The best Bible expositors in the country are employed, and Christian workers from all over the Southern States attend. An important feature of the Tabernacle plan is the operation of its tent. Every spring, summer and fall the tent workers are actively engaged in various parts of the city in this work. Meetings are held every night. Hundreds of people are in this way brought to Christ.

Since the church was first organized it has twice been improved and enlarged. To-day it is acknowledged to be the largest church auditorium in the South. It is simple and plain, though commodious and comfortable.

The Baptist Tabernacle takes great pleasure in the above history and it is very happy on this occasion to be able to return it to you as the mother church, and rejoices with you in the continuation of your labors which were begun a half century ago. We do not feel that we have done the best we could, but we trust as the years go by that there shall be more and more to rejoice over, until we shall all meet in that upper and better world, where our jubilee will never end.

### *Central Baptist Church*

By R. L. MOTLEY

In the year 1869 a mission was started in the western part of Atlanta under the direction of the Second Baptist Church. The movement was

inspired mainly by Mr. John H. James, who generously provided a building for the mission.

The Sunday-school, of which Dr. Stainback Wilson was the first superintendent, grew very rapidly, and in 1870 the church, known as Central Baptist, was constituted. Among the charter members appear the names of the Stewarts, Stantons, Johnson, Culbertsons, Upshaws and Daniels. F. M. Daniel became the first pastor, and after serving the church for several years, resigned to accept a call to the church at Cartersville. He was succeeded by A. J. Beck in a pastorate of two years.

In 1878 a lot was secured and a new house of worship was erected at the corner of Peters and West Fair streets. F. M. Daniel was again called to the pastorate of the church, where he remained till the year 1884. Within the next twelve years the church enjoyed the pastoral services of E. Z. F. Golden, H. H. D. Stratton, W. H. Strickland, J. M. Brittain and D. W. Gwin. While the pastorates of these brethren were brief, they were productive of great good.

In the early part of 1896 the church purchased a lot at the corner of Walker and Stonewall streets and built another house of worship at considerable cost. The building was dedicated on the first Sunday in November of the same year, and beginning on that day, R. L. Motley served the church until the fall of 1900, when he resigned to accept a call to Augusta. He was succeeded by J. R. Gunn, who remained with the church about eighteen months. S. R. C. Adams then served the church one year, resigning at the end of that time to become missionary evangelist of the Baptist State Mission Board.

Under the leadership of Mr. Gunn, the church sold the Walker street property, and purchased the Jewish Temple at the corner of Garnett and Forsyth streets. This step secured for the church a much better location than it had ever occupied before and also furnished it a splendid house of worship, well suited to the requirements of an aggressive, working congregation. In the early part of this year, Mr. Adams having resigned, the present pastor, R. L. Motley, was invited to become pastor of the church a second time. He accepted the call, and entered upon the work on the first of March.

Our membership numbers about 350, nearly one-fourth of whom have been added within the last nine months. It has been the policy of the church for several years to keep the roll thoroughly revised by withdrawing fellowship from members who have drifted away and ig-

nored their covenanted duties. Consequently the membership is much smaller than it would otherwise be.

Besides supporting a pastor, the church employs a thoroughly-trained lady missionary, Miss Bessie Evangel Caltest, whose services are most valuable in every department of church work. In addition to the mid-week prayer meeting, Sunday-school and preaching services, the church regularly maintains the various missionary and benevolent societies usually found in a well-organized church. The Sunday-school is in a flourishing condition; S. P. Moncrief and M. M. Anderson are the superintendents.

The church is in full sympathy with the organized work of the denomination, and desires to have part in every worthy movement fostered by our great Baptist brotherhood. The membership is thoroughly united and the outlook is, in every way, encouraging; and, at no distant day, the Central hopes to be numbered among the strongest and most prosperous churches.

We fully recognize our indebtedness to the noble Second Baptist Church, in whose semi-centennial celebration it is our good fortune to participate.

### *Jones Avenue Baptist Church*

This church, formerly called the Third Baptist, was organized by a colony from the Second Baptist Church on July 18, 1869, with Rev. T. J. Buchanan as the first pastor. Succeeding were Rev. G. W. Moore, for three years; Rev. W. J. Spears, four; Rev. H. C. Hornady, five; H. D. Winchester, four; W. C. McCall, three; H. A. Mitchell, three; J. D. Winchester, four. Dr. L. G. Broughton was called in 1898. During his pastorate the membership divided, the majority following Dr. Broughton to a more central situation, establishing the Tabernacle, while 220 members continued in the old building under the name of Jones Avenue Baptist Church. After the separation, C. W. Durham was pastor for one year, and was succeeded by W. J. Holtzclaw. Dr. Holtzclaw leaving in 1903, B. J. W. Graham acted as supply for six months, when the present pastor, Rev. W. L. Head was called. The present membership numbers 378, and the Sunday-school has an enrollment of nearly 300.

### *The Temple Baptist Church*

By A. C. WARD, D.D.

The Temple Baptist Church originated from a mission of the Second Baptist Church. In 1873 Joseph M. Brown, A. C. Briscoe, Jno. T. McGuire,

Robert S. Jackson and J. T. Pendleton established a mission, known as the West Side Mission of the Second Baptist Church. Two years of faithful labor on the part of these zealous young Christians resulted in the organization of what was called the Sixth Baptist Church. This organization occurred on the 21st day of March, 1875, Dr. A. T. Spalding acting as moderator. Letters were presented by J. T. Pendleton, R. E. Jackson, Chas. Bailey, J. M. Crouch, also from Mrs. J. T. Pendleton, Isabella Pendleton, Dolen Stewart, Mary Stewart, L. A. Kendrick, Mary Kendrick, Fannie Evans, Mrs. M. A. Crouch, A. M. Dale, Lizzie Dale, Julia Myers and S. J. Garner.

For seventeen years this church struggled for an existence, during which time it had as pastors Revs. C. N. Donaldson, I. S. Hogdin, V. C. Norcross, W. H. Dorsey, J. H. Weaver and E. L. Sisk.

In July, 1892, the present pastor, A. C. Ward, D.D., was called to this work. The church then numbered about one hundred and seventy and was conducting its services in a tenement house, upon which there rested a heavy mortgage.

Today, after twelve years of arduous labor on the part of both pastor and people, the Temple Church worships in a magnificent stone structure, is free from debt and has a membership of over four hundred.

The name of the church has been changed from the Sixth to the Temple, and it is an incorporated body, chartered by the courts. Its officers consist of A. C. Ward, D.D., pastor; Jas. Kempton, clerk; M. F. Morris, treasurer; together with an official board of deacons.

Its Sunday-school has prospered under the management of W. M. Perryman, who for ten years past has been its faithful superintendent.

The church is fully organized and is in close sympathy with all of the denominational interests. Its love for the dear old mother church can never be expressed in words, and eternity alone can estimate the value of the work of the noble young founders.

### *Glenn Street Baptist Church*

By E. S. LUMPKIN

About 1884 a mission was established by the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church on Ira, near Eads street in the settlement then known as the East Tennessee Shops community. The organization was effected in a small storehouse. William A. Johnson was



elected by the Young Men's Society as its first superintendent, and carried on the work very successfully for nearly two years, when he resigned and was succeeded as superintendent by E. S. Lumpkin. The work grew very rapidly and, through the generosity of G. B. and A. D. Adair, a beautiful lot was secured on the corner of Ira and Eads streets for the purpose of erecting a permanent church. A frame building was erected at a cost of about \$600. The Sunday-school moved in and the work was enlarged by adding to the services weekly prayer meetings and preaching on Sundays as often as a minister could be obtained. It was very difficult to get a sufficient number of Christian workers in this locality to teach the children, and to relieve this trouble the Young Men's Society employed an omnibus to carry teachers from the Second Baptist Church every Sunday. There were very few streets at this time in this locality and the place was difficult to reach, there being no cars or paved walks.

A great deal of charity work was done among the poor, and after three or four years the mission grew to such proportions that the mother church decided to extend an arm for the purpose of receiving members. Through the generosity of the mother church also, a pastor was employed and paid partly by the mission and partly by the Second Baptist Church and the Young Men's Missionary Society. Rev. W. B. Smith was the first pastor. He was popular and large crowds gathered to hear him preach, but unfortunately, by reason of unorthodox teaching, the Church took away his license and right to preach, and later withdrew fellowship from him. This was unfortunate for the mission, as Mr. Smith had many followers in whom he had instilled his strange ideas, one of which was that the members of the church ought not to give anything for its support, but to contribute to charity only. Glenn Street still suffers from those teachings. The mission had not been in its new house very long before it was burned down. It was immediately rebuilt, however, and the work grew until it was decided to add to its length. While this addition was being made a severe wind storm blew the house down, and thus it was destroyed a second time. Then it was thought best to move the church to a different locality, as the development of the community had to some extent cut off the streets and approaches to the old location. It was therefore changed to the present lot on the corner of Glenn and Smith streets, and with the aid of A. D. and G. B. Adair and of the members of the Young Men's Society

the mission was able to erect a new frame building at an expense of about \$2,000, which it has ever since occupied. The church now has a membership of about 250, and a Sunday-school numbering about 125.

During all these years quite a number have been sent out from the Young Men's Society and the Second Baptist Church to stimulate and carry on this work, prominent among whom are W. A. Johnson, E. S. Lumpkin, Henry Hillyer and W. B. McGarity. After the withdrawal of fellowship from Rev. W. B. Smith, Rev. J. I. Oxford, who had been developed in the mission, was elected its next pastor. He served the church for several years, and since his resignation Rev. V. C. Norcross has been pastor. The members have been faithful and the church has proven a blessing to the community from the first and we trust that the future has in store still greater usefulness.

### *Capitol Avenue Baptist Church*

By JNO. E. BRIGGS

In the spring of 1880 the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church organized the McDonough Street Mission on Richardson street just east of McDonough street, which is now known as Capitol Avenue. A small house was built at an expense of about \$500 on a lot upon which had previously been conducted what was known to the older members of the church as the Olive Branch Mission, but which was not in any way connected with the new organization. None of the young men who began this mission had any knowledge of the former work that had been carried on at this place, and it was just by accident that they learned the church owned the lot. It was a great help to them, however, and they received additional aid in a small amount of money and an organ that had been preserved from the former mission by Miss Mattie Andrews.

Z. T. Cody was elected first superintendent and E. S. Lumpkin its first secretary. Sunday-school was organized in the afternoon, prayer meetings carried on one night each week, and preaching services as often as a preacher could be obtained. The work was maintained and carried on with great determination and persistent zeal for ten years, but without any material growth or substantial increase. At this time it was decided that no permanent work could be established at the present location, therefore, through the aid of the Young Men's Society of the Second Baptist Church a lot 50x140 feet was purchased for the



sum of \$2,000 on the corner of Capitol and Georgia Avenues. This lot stood upon a high bank, ten or twelve feet above the street. It was graded, however, and a small frame building built, at an expense of about \$600, and on the first Sunday in July, 1890, the mission moved into its new quarters. From the day it was located in this new place it began to grow, to take on strength and permanency, and in a short time it was necessary to organize regular church services. Through the aid of the Second Baptist Church, who agreed to assist in the expense, Rev. R. A. Sublett, of South Carolina, was called as its first pastor about 1892 or 1893. An arm of the Second Baptist Church was extended to the mission and members of the Second Baptist Church were received there. Regular services, including communion and baptism, were carried on and the membership of the mission grew very rapidly. After two years, Mr. Sublett resigned and Dr. A. T. Spalding became pastor. The growth of the church during his pastorate was very gratifying. The church building was enlarged and improved and the adjoining lot was purchased for the sum of \$2,400. After three years, Rev. N. B. O'Kelly succeeded Dr. Spalding.

About this time it was constituted into an independent church and soon became financially self-sustaining. On January 12, 1900, the church realizing that its rapid growth and the growth of the community demanded a better and more commodious building, undertook the erection of a handsome brick edifice, which it has completed for \$7,000 making the present cost of the church property, including the lot, approximately \$17,500. In 1904 Dr. O'Kelly resigned and the church called Rev. J. E. Briggs, who is its present pastor.

During all these twenty-four years many different brethren have been sent out to aid and assist in this work by the Young Men's Society of the Second Baptist Church. Among the superintendents who labored here were Z. T. Cody, W. L. Woodson, J. F. Kempton, T. J. Day, E. S. Lumpkin and W. W. Orr. The last named, with Early Gillespie, transferred membership from the Second Church and became prominent in our work and development. Capitol Avenue is now in a flourishing condition, in the heart of one of the best settlements on the south side and promises to be one of the strong Baptist churches of the city.

### *McDonald Mission*

In the month of March, 1903, the Young Men's Society of the Second Baptist Church was

urged to locate a mission in the neighborhood of Walker, Stonewall, Walnut and West Fair streets. The Central had moved, leaving a territory between Temple and West End without a convenient Baptist church. The Presbyterian church, located at the corner of Walnut and West Fair streets, desired to purchase the Central Baptist property, corner Stonewall and Walker streets, and offered to sell their own house. The Young Men's Missionary Society requested the mission committee of the Second Baptist Church to visit this field, and the result was that the Second Baptist Church, with the aid of the State Mission Board, purchased the Wallace Presbyterian Church on West Fair street at a cost of \$1,500. All services, church and Sunday-school, have been held in this building since that time. The mission was named for the Rev. Henry McDonald, D.D., the former beloved pastor of the Second Baptist Church.

On the fifth Sunday in March, 1903, the initiatory services were held, Walker Dunson presiding. Addresses were made by Rev. John E. White, T. J. Day, John M. Green and others. W. R. Callaway was elected superintendent and F. M. Dodd, assistant superintendent. The following Sunday, April 5, the Sunday-school was organized with eight members present from the Second Baptist Church as teachers and sixteen from the field. Those present from the Second Church were Walker Dunson, T. J. Day, Z. F. Daniel, R. W. Thiot, Samuel Wilkinson, Misses Nettie and Bettie Walker, and Miss Annie Mae Henderson. Among those from the field who have been closely allied with the work were G. W. Evans, A. M. Dodd, D. S. A. Davis, R. W. Thiot, W. R. Callaway, W. W. Cope, N. E. Putman, E. S. Owens, Mrs. Ann Dodd, Mrs. G. W. Evans, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Miss Rosa Bone, Mrs. R. E. Butler, Mrs. E. Walsh, and Mrs. E. Sluvert. It has been a great help to the Sunday school to have such faithful teachers and much of the success of the work is due to their untiring efforts. Through the kindness of Mrs. A. M. Dodd, an organ was placed in the church, to remain as long as needed.

The first sermons preached at this place were on April 5, at 11 o'clock by Rev. S. Y. Jamison, and at 8 o'clock at night by Rev. F. C. McConnell.

The Lord's Supper is observed monthly, and the communion set used in this service was presented by Mrs. Julian Field. Regular services have been held since the mission was organized. An arm of the church has been extended and we have now 92 members, of whom 65 have joined by letter and 37 by profession of

faith. Prayer meetings are on every Thursday night and the attendance is good.

The pastors who have supplied this pulpit are Julian S. Rogers, H. W. Fancher, Marshall Lane and J. T. Baxter. Considering the length of time the work has been organized, it has developed faster and more auspiciously than any of our other fields.

### *Woodward Avenue Mission*

The Second Baptist Mission Sunday school, situated on Woodward avenue, at the corner of Werner's avenue, near Connally street, was organized by the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church on the second Sunday in September, 1902. Its officers were Dr. William E. Campbell, superintendent; Owens Johnson, assistant superintendent and secre-

tary, and Weaver Smith, assistant secretary and treasurer. Its first teachers were William Lowe, G. R. Stovall, C. C. Wayne, R. W. Thiot, Samuel J. Wilkinson, F. M. Dodd, Mrs. M. A. Everett, Miss Sarah Westmoreland and Miss Kate Stockton. Fifty-two scholars were enrolled on that day.

The Sunday school has been continued to this time with an average attendance of eighty-three, and an average collection of seventy-five cents per Sunday.

John H. James has contributed materially to the equipment of the school.

The present officers and teachers are Dr. William E. Campbell, superintendent; Walter M. Wells, secretary and treasurer; Wm. Lowe, G. R. Stovall, Miss Mollie Williamson, Mrs. Frances Hunt, Miss Willie King, Miss Emma Collins, Miss Frances Hunt and M. S. Flynt.

## *Younger Daughters of the Church*

### OGLETHORPE BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, September 24, 1950, the Second-Ponce de Leon Church called the Rev. Hugh G. James, Jr., of Chattanooga, Tennessee, a graduate of the Southern Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, to assume the leadership of the Oglethorpe Mission, which began as an arm of the Sunday School of Second-Ponce de Leon in August, 1949.

On Sunday afternoon, March 20, 1951, at 3:00 P.M., this congregation was organized as a church, with forty charter members. Dr. James L. Baggott, Superintendent of Atlanta City Missions, served as Moderator of the organizational meeting, which followed a called council of Baptist leaders to examine the request that a church be established. The new church immediately called Rev. Hugh G. James, Jr., as Pastor.

A building to house the church became their primary need and the Rev. Mr. James and his men threw themselves into praying and planning for a church house. Mr. Fred Wilson gave a magnificent lot on Sexton Road, and Commissioner Scott Candler, of DeKalb County, assured the Oglethorpe leaders that Sexton Road would be opened to Chamblee school, which would make the location all the more strategic.

Mr. James L. Burnett, an architect who is a faithful member and worker at Second-Ponce de Leon, gave his services to the new church, and the Oglethorpe men themselves did much of the

building. Second-Ponce de Leon, through its Missions budget, has given generously, and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention made possible a substantial building loan.

Mr. J. Robert Eubanks, of Second-Ponce de Leon, has given liberally of time, interest and financial aid all along the way.

Mr. James accepted the pastorate of the Woodbury, Georgia, church early in 1954, and the Rev. Waldo Harris came to Oglethorpe in July, 1954, from Broxton, Georgia. The church educational unit has long been overcrowded and Mr. Harris, upon assuming the work as Pastor, set out to secure more space. Purchase of an annex structure to fill immediate needs was effected in August, 1954, to help care for a growing church, with a Sunday School of more than 200.

### WIEUCA ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Perhaps not since the time of the Apostle Paul and the churches at Ephesus and Corinth has a new Christian Church come into being under more favorable and promising circumstances than those that have attended the beginnings of Wieuca Road Baptist Church, youngest daughter of Second-Ponce de Leon. What other embryo church has ever, on charter date, received from its mother church financial assets of approximately \$100,000.00 and a nucleus of more than 220 active members, including several Deacons?



Such has been the auspicious debut of the subject of this sketch.

The charter meeting of the church was held at R. L. Hope School on the afternoon of Sunday, July 11, 1954. This was an impressive and interesting event, with a large audience in attendance. The following program was carried out:

#### PROGRAM

Of the Constitution of the  
Wieuca Road Baptist Church  
Auditorium, R. L. Hope School

July 11, 1954

3:00 P. M.

Prelude

Hymn No. 244, "The Church's One Foundation (Wesley)

Prayer.....Judge Frank A. Hooper, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Deacons  
Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

Report of the Advisory Council

History of the Wieuca Road Baptist Congregation

Mr. Judson M. Garner

Chairman, Steering Committee

Recognition of the Charter Members Asking for  
Organization

Invitation to Others Wishing to Join as Charter Members

Hymn No. 249, "Faith of Our Fathers, Living Still"  
(Hemy)

The Act of Constitution—Covenanting Together of the  
Members

Charge to the

New Church .....Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., Pastor  
Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

Solo, "How Beautiful Upon the

Mountains" .....Mrs. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.

Mrs. W. Gordon Grant, Accompanist

Greetings to the New Church

Judge Claude D. Shaw, Chairman, Missions Committee,  
Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

Rev. W. T. Booth, Pastor, Brookhaven Baptist Church;  
Immediate Past President, Atlanta Baptist  
Pastors' Conference

Rev. R. L. O'Brien, Moderator, Atlanta Baptist  
Association

Dr. James L. Baggott, Superintendent of City Missions,  
Atlanta Baptist Association

Dr. James W. Merritt, Executive Secretary,  
Georgia Baptist Convention

Dr. Courts Redford, Executive Secretary, Home  
Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention

Dr. Louie D. Newton, Former President, Southern  
Baptist Convention; Vice-President, Baptist  
World Alliance.

Dr. Robert Giffen, Executive Secretary, Atlanta  
Christian Council

Prayer for the New Church.....Dr. Ryland Knight,  
Former Pastor Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

Hand of Christian Fellowship to the New Church

Benediction Hymn No. 217, "Blest Be The Tie That  
Binds" (Nageli)

A brief history of the Wieuca Road Baptist Church from its inception, was read by Mr.

Judson M. Garner as a part of the program of the Charter Day meeting.

Soon after the arrival of Dr. Swilley as Pastor, Dr. Swilley and a group of laymen of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church discussed among themselves the fact that the tremendous growth of the church and of the entire area which it served would make desirable, in the not too distant future, the establishment of a new Baptist church somewhere in the area being served by the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church. It was further realized that the outstanding locations for a new church on Peachtree Road were rapidly being used for other purposes.

Mr. Garner's paper is here quoted:

"The matter was brought to the attention of the Board of Deacons and the Church, and in 1947 the Church authorized the purchase of a lot at the Northeast corner of Peachtree Road and Wieuca Road, at a cost of approximately \$31,500; the lot to be held until such time as it seemed proper to initiate the beginning of a new church. The lot has a width of approximately 250 feet on Peachtree Road, a frontage of approximately 700 feet on Wieuca Road, and embraces an area of about 4½ acres.

"In 1951 the Deacons appointed a special committee to give consideration to the time for the initiation of the new church. The committee gave careful consideration to all factors involved in the matter and recommended that action be deferred at that time. The committee continued its consideration, and in June of 1953 recommended to the Deacons that the church should proceed with plans to organize the new church in the immediate future. The Deacons and the Church adopted the report of the committee and directed the Missions Committee to take full responsibility in the matter, and to work toward having the new church begun in January, 1954.

"In September, 1953, under the direction of the Missions Committee, a religious census was taken in the area suggested by the special study committee within which the work of the new church was to be centered. The report of the census study showed that the area embraced the following immediate opportunity: 350 members of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, 219 other Baptists who were members of other churches, 54 non-church members.

"In its Missions budget for 1954, the church set up the sum of \$10,000.00 to be used in establishing the new church.

"In March, 1954, under the supervision of the Missions Committee, a dinner meeting was held at the church for the purpose of enlisting commitments for members of the new congregation. Invitations to this meeting were sent to every known Baptist family in the designated area of the new church. At the conclusion of the meeting there were 74 of those present who committed themselves to membership in the church.

"This group of 74 authorized the formation of a Steering Committee to work under the jurisdiction of the Missions Committee in developing the details necessary to forming the new congregation. Active solicitation was made of the known Baptists in the



area and May 9 was adopted as the date for the initial service. By that date there had been enlisted 220 who had committed themselves to membership in the new undertaking.

"Through the co-operation of the Atlanta School authorities, we secured the facilities of the R. L. Hope School building as a meeting place. On the occasion of our first service, on May 9, there were 44 additional persons who committed themselves to membership with us. Our membership has continued to increase, the total as of July 5 being 315. It is interesting to analyze the composition of this membership: of the total, there are 235 coming from Second-Ponce de Leon, 63 by letters from other churches and 19 by baptism.

"The work of our congregation has been thoroughly organized, with the result that we have a Sunday School with an average attendance of 185, and a Training Union with an average attendance of 95. The Woman's Missionary Union is organized and functioning. We conducted a very successful Vacation Bible School the week of June 13, the attendance average being 177.

"The contributions at our services have been on a basis that would indicate a total of about \$35,000.00 for the first twelve months. We have adopted a tentative budget

for current expenses on an annual basis of \$24,480.00. Our congregation has voted that 30% of all our collections for the calendar year 1954, other than designated Building Fund contributions, be given to Missions and benevolent causes, such allocation to apply to receipts beginning with our initial service on May 9."

Wieuca Road Church had the blessings of the leadership of Dr. Pope A. Duncan, Associate Professor of Church History at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina, who arrived May 1, 1954, to serve as the Summer Interim Pastor.

Dr. Duncan stepped into a period leading up to the organization of the church and did an outstanding work. At the same time, he won the hearts of the new congregation.

The church offices were established in the 3240 Peachtree Road Building. All meetings and services being held in the R. L. Hope School Building until the time when the church has its own building.

## *Educational Directors*

### *Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

It was in October, 1943, that the church took a definite advance step by securing a Director of Religious Education. Mr. John K. Durst came to guide the educational program October, 1943, and led in this work until June, 1946, when he resigned to accept a similar position with the First Baptist Church, Asheville, North Carolina. The reins then fell into the very capable hands of Mr. Charles Howard Allen, who came to the Second-Ponce de Leon Church as Assistant to the Pastor and Minister of Education upon his graduation from the Louisville Seminary in May, 1947. There was an interim of six months, in 1951, when Mr. Allen relinquished his post as Minister of Education to Mr. Howard Halsell, of Phoenix, Arizona, who held that position from April, 1951, to September, 1951. Upon the resignation of Mr. Halsell, Mr. Allen again assumed the work of Minister of Education and directed that work, along with his responsibility as Assistant to the Pastor, until September, 1953, when Mr. Oliver C. Wilbanks became Educational Director on September 1, 1953.



# HISTORY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

by MISS ROSA MAY KING AND MR. OLIVER C. WILBANKS

## *Second Baptist Sunday School*

When the Second Baptist Church was constituted, in 1854, the importance of the teaching ministry of the church was recognized immediately in the organization of the Sunday School. Dr. J. W. Bomar was elected superintendent and served until 1858. In 1858 Mr. Sidney Root succeeded him.

With the organization of the Second Baptist Church and Sunday School, an Adult class was formed as part of the Sunday School organization. This class was open to both men and women. We have no record of the early teachers of this class, but it is recorded that shortly after joining the Second Baptist Church in March, 1861, Judge Marshall Clark was chosen as teacher. It was during Mr. Root's superintendency that Sherman invaded Atlanta. So, in the autumn of 1864, the church and Sunday School were dispersed by the evacuation of the city, which was ordered by the Federal general in command. During this time no records were kept until April 16, 1865, when the church gathered thirty-five of its scattered members together again. Memory tells that the Sunday School had been resumed before that date.

After the reorganization of the Sunday School, Mr. Root was succeeded by Mr. J. J. Toon, in 1865. Mr. Toon served until 1866, when Mr. W. M. James assumed the responsibility to pilot the Sunday School through the turbulent years of Reconstruction, until 1871, when Col. T. P. Westmoreland became superintendent.

In 1872 a young man, Mr. A. C. Briscoe, became superintendent, which office he held for almost forty years. During these forty years he was granted two leaves of absence—the first to complete his college education, 1874-1878; and the second leave when he moved to Chattanooga, Tennessee, 1881-1883. His superintendency was continuous from 1883-1911, when he was elected superintendent emeritus. However, retirement did not mean inactivity for Mr. Briscoe, as he taught a class in the Primary Department and became the official greeter of the Sunday School.

Old and young wished his greeting, as it was usually accompanied by a piece of hard candy, as well as his hearty handshake. His flowing white beard and the merry twinkle in his eye earned for him the loving nickname of "Santa Claus".

Judge Clark continued as teacher of the Men's Bible Class for approximately thirty years when, due to advancing age, he retired and was succeeded by Judge John T. Pendleton, who served as teacher until December, 1914, when he was succeeded by Dr. M. L. Brittain.

During Mr. Briscoe's leaves of absence, Mr. John T. McGuire and Judge John T. Pendleton served as superintendents. Mr. Briscoe was succeeded by Mr. B. H. Hartsfield, who served from 1911-1913. While Mr. Hartsfield was in office, there was a young man who brought his four small daughters to the Sunday School. He was soon given a class to teach and upon the resignation of Mr. Hartsfield, in 1913, Mr. John S. Spalding was called from his teaching in the Primary Department to guide the Sunday School.

Shortly after Dr. Brittain became the teacher of the class, a reorganization of the Adult Department of the Sunday School was effected providing for a Men's Bible Class and a Woman's Bible Class. The Men's Bible Class took in the Young Men's Bible Class, for many years under the leadership of Mr. Thomas J. Day, Sr. Dr. Brittain continued as teacher until the merger of the churches in November, 1932. Among the men prominent in the life of the church who served the class as presidents were F. S. Etheridge, J. Glenwell Dodson, L. Arthur Witherpoon, and Ernest F. Brown.

The Woman's Bible Class was formed April 20, 1924. Previous to this date, the women had been members of the Men's Bible Class.

Mrs. Samuel Lumpkin, Mrs. L. Arthur Witherpoon and Mrs. R. E. Harvey were teachers. The presidents were Mrs. M. L. Brittain, Mrs. T. J. Day and Mrs. N. S. Herod.

Triple E. (Earnest, Enthusiastic Endeavors)

was founded in 1924 by Dr. C. Irvin Ennis, in the Second Baptist Church. "E. E. E.," as the class was first called, stood for "Ennises Ever-Ready Enthusiastics," being named for the teacher, Dr. Ennis, who taught the class until 1927, when he organized a branch class at Emory University. Mr. Platt Young and Mr. H. W. Rohrer were the teachers who served next.

Mr. Spalding served as superintendent until 1929, when he became superintendent emeritus. When Mr. R. B. Mayfield resigned at the end of 1929, Mr. Spalding became acting superintendent until Mr. L. Arthur Witherspoon was elected.

It was during Mr. Spalding's superintendency that the new Sunday School building facing Mitchell Street was occupied. This move enabled the Sunday School to become fully graded, having separate departments for the Cradle Roll, Beginner, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate departments, with the Young People meeting in the main auditorium of the church. There were six organized classes for the Adults: the Men's Bible Class, taught by Dr. M. L. Brittain; Bible Class No. 2, Mr. F. J. Paxon, teacher; Woman's Bible Class, Mrs. Samuel Lumpkin, teacher; Bible Class No. Four, Mrs. J. S. McCullough, teacher; Junior Business Woman's Bible Class, Mrs. John S. Spalding, teacher; and Triple E Class, Mr. H. W. Rohrer, teacher.

The departmental superintendents during Mr. Spalding's superintendency were: Cradle Roll, Mrs. S. D. Kaylor; Beginner, Miss Rosa May King; Primary, Miss May Walker; Junior, Mrs. E. M. Poteat; Intermediate, Mrs. H. W. Rohrer; Young People, Miss Ada Hendrie.

The earliest available records of the work with the children is 1897. At that time the children were in the "Infant Class", consisting of children from one year old to the "teen age", with Mrs. Harvey Hatcher, teacher. The assistants were Joe Ely, secretary; Miss Blakie Sharp, Miss Maud Carlton, Miss Mary Ormond, Miss Mattie Butler, Mrs. Mary D. Fitzgerald, Miss Fannie Laird, Miss Kate Richards, and Mr. W. H. Hall.

Mrs. Mary B. Barnes succeeded Mrs. Hatcher as Teacher in Charge and in 1901 the other Infant Class teachers were Mrs. Mary D. Fitzgerald, Mrs. George Westmoreland, Mrs. Hinton Hopkins, Mrs. Minnie H. Cassin, Mrs. Kate Richards, Miss Mamie Tolbert, Miss Caro Bacon, and Mr. J. A. Hall, acting secretary.

Mrs. George Westmoreland succeeded Mrs. M. B. Barnes and it was during Mrs. Westmoreland's superintendency of the infant classes that the Beginner and Cradle Roll departments were organized. Miss May Walker succeeded her and

Miss Walker was succeeded by Miss Mary Frances Witherspoon, who served until the merger, in 1932.

Mr. L. Arthur Witherspoon served as Sunday School Superintendent until the time of the merger and became the first Superintendent of the merged Sunday School.

No recital of the history of the Sunday School of the Second Baptist Church would be complete without reference to some of the outstanding teachers of the school. Perhaps the peer of them all would be Dr. M. L. Brittain. Dr. Brittain joined the Second Baptist Church March 26, 1890. By education and profession a teacher, he was immediately given a job teaching a class of young people and from that time until his death, in the early summer of 1953, he was the teacher of a class in the Sunday School. In the early 1900's he organized a teacher training class and taught this class for a number of years, being succeeded in that work by one of his pupils, Miss Cora Ann Brown. After giving up the Teacher Training Class, Dr. Brittain taught a co-educational class for a number of years. At the beginning of 1915 Judge John T. Pendleton, teacher of the Men's Bible Class, having moved his membership to the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, Dr. Brittain was asked to become the teacher of this class. He accepted and taught the class until the church merger. His death in 1953 ended a period of sixty-three years of service teaching the Bible.

Judge John T. Pendleton joined the Second Baptist Church October 5, 1870. He was twice superintendent of the Sunday School, served twice as treasurer of the church, but his greatest service was as teacher of the Men's Bible Class. Shortly after joining the church, he was elected teacher of this class and continued as its teacher until December, 1914, when, in order to be with his family in Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, he moved his membership there. Immediately he was elected teacher of the Men's Class of that church and continued as such until his death in 1922.

Mary Connally joined the Second Baptist Church with her father, Dr. E. L. Connally, April 14, 1888. As a young woman she took an active part in the work of the Sunday School and other Young People's activities of the church, but the full fruition of her work of teaching did not materialize until around 1915, when, under the superintendency of her husband, Mr. John S. Spalding, she organized a class of young business women and became their teacher. Under her leadership, this class made an outstanding



record in their gifts and services to the church. She continued as teacher of this class until November, 1932.

Mr. Frederic J. Paxon became the teacher of Bible Class No. 2 in January, 1888, and held this position until his health forced him to resign in 1935. Besides his teaching duties, he was chairman of finances for the school and it was largely due to his ability that the school took such high rank in this respect.

#### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF SECOND BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dr. J. W. Bomar	1854-1858
Mr. Sidney Root	1858-1865
Mr. J. J. Toon	1865-1866
Mr. W. M. Janes	1866-1871
Col. T. P. Westmoreland	1817-1872
Mr. A. C. Briscoe	1872-1874
Mr. John T. McGuire	1874-1877
Judge John T. Pendleton	1877-1878
Mr. A. C. Briscoe	1878-1881
Mr. John T. McGuire	1881-1883
Mr. A. C. Briscoe	1883-1911
Mr. B. H. Hartsfield	1911-1913
Mr. John S. Spalding	1913-1929

(Mr. Spalding was made Superintendent emeritus in 1929.)

Mr. R. B. Mayfield	1929-1930
Mr. John S. Spalding	1930-1931

(Acting Superintendent)

Mr. L. A. Witherspoon	1931-to merger, in 1932
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#### THE CHINESE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Foreign Missions have always been an integral part in the teaching ministry of the Sunday

School. While some of the members have been sent by the Foreign Mission Board to the foreign fields, Foreign Missions became an actuality when a class was organized for the Chinese in our own city—Atlanta.

The first classes were established in the Second Baptist Church in 1890. There were few Chinese in Atlanta at that time, but they availed themselves of the opportunity and some were converted to Christ. Mrs. Rosa Pope King was one of the teachers.

As circumstances caused these classes to dissolve, there was a long period when no provision for the Chinese was made.

In 1918 the spiritual needs of the ninety Chinese in Atlanta filled the heart and thinking of Miss Ada Hendrie, now Mrs. E. L. Harling, until she was compelled to provide an opportunity for them to hear the Gospel. On the third Sunday afternoon in February, 1919, Dr. Chan, a Chinese Emory student; Dr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Taft, retired Methodist missionaries; two laundrymen; one man from the Chinese Sunday School in Augusta, Georgia, and Mrs. Harling met in the Young People's Department of the Second Baptist Church and organized anew the Chinese work. As many of the Chinese in Atlanta were enlisted as would attend. All the teaching was on the individual basis, one pupil per teacher.

On March 6, 1920, Mr. H. Lawson Alexander became associated with the work and became superintendent, advisor and protector of the Chinese when Mrs. Harling moved her membership to another church.

Besides teaching the Chinese English, which was essential, the story of salvation through Jesus Christ was the keynote. Easter services were



H. Lawson Alexander, Teacher  
and a Chinese Christian

conducted on our Easter and the Chinese Easter. Christmas services were held and burials were furnished by the school and friends. Counsel was given the Chinese whenever desired. Through 1947, \$970.00 had been contributed to Chinese Relief and the Georgia Baptist Children's Home, at Hapeville.

When the churches merged, the Chinese Sunday School was moved to Wesley Memorial Church, in October, 1933. A centrally located

place was necessary. It returned to the first meeting house, now Central Baptist Church, in 1934 and continues there.

Dr. Ty Young and his family were faithful and active members in the Sunday School until Japan made war on China and he returned to his native land.

Mr. Alexander and his wife devoted themselves to this class until July 1952, when ill health caused them to release the leadership to others.

## *Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Sunday School*

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Deacons of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, held Monday evening, June 27, 1904, Dr. William W. Landrum, the Pastor, stated that he thought the church should take some steps looking toward the opening of a Sunday School in the northern portion of Atlanta. He suggested that the Board recommend to the church the appointment of a committee to investigate the field.

On Sunday afternoon, October 30, 1904, in the lecture room of North Avenue Presbyterian Church, the Ponce de Leon Avenue Sunday School was organized. Mr. Rutherford Lipscomb was elected superintendent, Mr. C. T. Nunnally, assistant superintendent, Mr. H. H. McCall, secretary, and Mr. George W. McCarty, Jr., assistant secretary, Mr. George W. Forrester, treasurer, and Miss Nell Baker, organist. Thereafter the Sunday School was held every Sunday afternoon in the basement of the North Avenue Presbyterian Church, until the building on Ponce de Leon Avenue was completed in May, 1906. The teachers at the first session were Governor W. J. Northen, Miss Nell Collinsworth, Dr. E. C. Thrash, Mrs. George M. Brown, Mrs. George W. Coates, Mr. P. D. Baker, Mrs. George W. Forrester, Mrs. N. B. Barnes, and Mrs. Charles W. Barnwell. The enrollment the first Sunday was ninety-six. The school grew steadily and at the end of the first year had an enrollment of 165.

At this first session held October 30, 1904, an adult class was formed with former Governor W. J. Northen as teacher. This class continued to function for more than ten years until the summer of 1915 when the Men's Bible Class of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church was organized with Judge John T. Pendleton as teacher and Mr. A. W. Jackson as president.

When the Ponce de Leon Avenue Sunday School was organized the Elementary Depart-

ment consisted of the Primary Department, Mrs. M. B. Barnes, superintendent and Miss Jennie Collinsworth, assistant. The Cradle Roll was a class in the Primary Department, but soon became a separate department, with Mrs. R. G. Dunwody and Mrs. W. E. Green, superintendents. Mrs. Barnes was succeeded in the Primary superintendency by Mrs. S. L. Morris, Mrs. A. W. Waldman, and Mrs. George Westmoreland, successively. Miss Lucile Wells organized the Beginner Department, in 1924.

By 1915 the Sunday School enrollment had grown to 568. The Men's Bible Class, under the leadership of Mr. A. W. Jackson, president, and Judge John T. Pendleton, teacher, was making an outstanding record. Following Judge Pendleton, Judge W. Frank Jenkins taught the class until the church moved to Wesley Avenue, at which time he was succeeded by Dr. Pat H. Hogan.

In 1916 a class was formed for the colored nursemaids who brought the children. It was taught by Mrs. L. G. Neal.

In 1916 the church, recognizing the need for more physical facilities for its rapidly growing Sunday School, authorized the construction of an annex for the school, at a cost of \$15,000.00, and later added an additional \$3,000.00 to provide for the furnishings. The enrollment at this time was 650.

In 1926 Dr. Luther Rice Christie became Pastor. He realized the need for larger quarters, so that the Sunday School could be graded and become standard. Mr. George M. Brown shared this Sunday School vision with the other leaders and unstintingly lent his support. Mrs. A. W. Waldman, a teacher in the Primary Department, was most active in her leadership. She became the first superintendent of the newly organized Junior Department. During this period the Ponce de Leon Avenue Sunday School



reached its worthy goal and became a standard Sunday School.

With the merger of the Buckhead and Ponce de Leon churches the Bible classes for women of those churches merged. Mrs. J. W. Wills was the teacher of the Ponce de Leon Class. Mr. Harrison Jones was the teacher of the Men's Bible Class at the time of the merger.

#### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE PONCE DE LEON AVENUE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mr. Rutherford Lipscomb	1904-1906
Mr. A. B. Caldwell	1906-1921
Mr. J. W. Wills	1921-1928
Mr. Joe L. McMillin	1928-1931
Mr. R. D. Webb	1931-1932 merger

## *Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Sunday School*

To attempt to capture the spiritual power and the progress of the Sunday School of the merged churches—Second, Ponce de Leon and Buckhead—in a few words would be futile. This achievement must be attributed to certain qualities in the membership.

The members have had a will to work and devote their talents and resources to the Lord. They strive to give a good account of their stewardship. Evangelism has been and is the keynote in every department and organized class. In the Elementary departments, through the Primaries, evangelistic work is done among the parents who are unsaved and non-church members. In the Junior Departments through the Adult Departments, every effort is made to bring the non-church members of the classes to Christ.

The Sunday School has been blessed from the time of the merger with consecrated leadership. Mr. L. A. Witherspoon—a man noted for his ability to organize and deftness in inspiring workers to co-operate and work for the good of all—was the first superintendent. At this time the Sunday School occupied the first two floors of the Sanctuary Building, which had been completed by the Ponce de Leon congregation prior to the coming of the Second Baptist Church.

Mr. Witherspoon held the position of superintendent until 1933, when Mr. Julian M. Harrison, Sr., succeeded him. In 1934, Mr. Carlton W. Binns became superintendent and served until 1941. He was succeeded by Mr. Robert F. Bryan, the present superintendent.

At the time of the merger, the Sunday School had the following departments: Cradle Roll, Beginner, Primary, Junior, Junior High, Young People, and Adult. Southern Baptist graded literature was used. It was found that the Beginner Department was crowded and that room was available for a second Beginner Department. On the second Sunday after the merger, a depart-

ment was organized for five-year-olds. Because of lack of space, all children younger than Beginners met as one department.

At the time of the merger, Miss Rosa May King was Elementary Superintendent and the department superintendents were as follows: Mrs. William M. King, Cradle Roll; Mrs. W. Beecher DuVall, Four-Year Beginner; Mrs. A. C. Frost, Five-Year Beginner; Mrs. Bolling Jones, Jr., Primary; Mrs. H. W. Rohrer, Junior, and Mr. W. Clifford Hendrix, Junior High.

It was during Mr. Binns' superintendency that the Sanctuary was added, the upper floors of the Education Building east of it completed and the entire Sanctuary Building dedicated by Dr. George W. Truett on October 10, 1937. This completed Sanctuary Building provided space for a Nursery, two Beginner Departments, a Primary Department, two Junior Departments (one for the nine- and ten-year pupils and the other for the eleven- and twelve-year boys and girls), one Intermediate Department, a Young People's Department, and an Adult Department with sufficient organized class space. The total Bible School capacity was 1,500 students.

From this new division of departments the Sunday School multiplied mightily. By 1948 it had outgrown these quarters. From the early forties there was strong evidence that the building facilities would not accommodate the phenomenal growth that was upon us. It was in these years that thinking, praying and planning for a great additional educational building began. By 1948 the new Chapel and Educational Building came from the drawing boards of the architect. This phenomenal growth was largely due to the inspiration and leadership of our Pastor, Dr. Monroe F. Swiley, Jr., along with the fine co-operation and service of Robert F. Bryan, Sunday School Superintendent, and Charles Howard Allen, Director of Education, and a loyal and zealous staff of Sunday School officers and teach-



ers. The move into the new Educational Building was begun in September, 1951.

Dr. Harold E. Ingraham, Business Manager of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, was our leader in participating in the South-wide Sunday School Clinic, held in Atlanta in January, 1954. Under his leadership, new plans for enlargement were adopted, including the organization of more departments and classes throughout the Sunday School. We also agreed to promote a program of Training, strive toward the First Standard of Excellence, magnify the Six Point Record System, and strive to deepen the spiritual life of the workers.

The Sunday School continues to grow. Its enrollment on May 9, 1954, was 3,379 (including

the Cradle Roll, Extension Department and 125 members at Haven Home) making the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist the largest Baptist Sunday School in the state of Georgia.

The Sunday School co-operates in the Unified budget, observes all the denominational special days, and has a visitation program every third Sunday in the month. Some adult classes have a weekly visitation day.

#### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF SECOND-PONCE DE LEON SUNDAY SCHOOL

L. A. Witherspoon	1932-1933
Julian M. Harrison, Sr.	1933-1934
Carlton W. Binns	1934-1941
Robert F. Bryan	1941-to date

#### OFFICERS AND TEACHERS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1954

##### *General Officers:*

Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.,  
Pastor  
Oliver C. Wilbanks, Ed. Dir.  
Robert F. Bryan, Supt.  
W. R. Cox  
Mrs. S. E. Dellinger  
T. B. McLeod  
Joe M. Medford  
Roy E. Milling  
Sam L. North  
Wayne K. Rivers  
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Waggoner  
Wyatt C. Whitley  
George Williamson

##### *Adult Six:*

R. C. Mathews, Jr.  
James R. Andrews  
Griffin Bell  
Clifford Morse  
Mrs. Carlton W. Binns  
Mrs. Carter Harrison  
Henry C. Johnson  
James J. Wooten

##### *Adult Five:*

William E. Brougher  
Mrs. A. H. Strickland  
Mrs. James J. Wooten

##### *Adult Four:*

John H. Hartley  
E. O. Werba  
Mrs. Stephen Pugh  
Mrs. Noble Y. Beall  
Claude D. Shaw

##### *Adult Three:*

Jack R. Simmons  
Barnie L. Kennedy  
Mrs. John S. Nichols  
Mrs. Edgar H. Cherry  
Sara Evans  
John S. Nichols

##### *Adult Two:*

Grady A. Lee  
Phil L. Peebles  
W. Maurice Thompson  
Mrs. David F. Boyd  
LaFayette Davis  
Boyce L. Graham  
Mrs. Grady A. Lee  
Mrs. Spann W. Milner

##### *Adult One:*

J. O. North  
Luther M. Byrd  
Homer Due  
Robert S. Ingols  
Eugenia Pearson  
Boyd F. Young  
Ross Arnold  
Mrs. Joseph Crespi  
Mrs. Oliver C. Wilbanks  
Lawrence Saggus

##### *Young People Two:*

J. Robert Eubanks  
Charlie L. W. Bird  
Hanson C. Hall, Jr.  
Tom Mitchell  
Oscar W. Waggoner

Charles Howard Allen  
Mrs. Fred E. Fletcher  
Marvin L. Garrett  
Mrs. Frank Wiggs  
James Estes

##### *Young People One:*

Bruce Batho  
Mrs. Eugene Cook  
Alva H. Cooper  
Mrs. G. H. Richardson  
Mrs. Alton F. Bryant  
Robert L. Cousins  
George D. Ray  
Fred T. Wooten

##### *Intermediate Three:*

A. G. Cleveland  
Stanley Lambert  
Cone M. Maddox, Jr.  
May Taylor  
Arthur Tuggle  
Lanny Waggoner  
Mrs. Martha Frances Brown  
Mrs. Claude D. Shaw  
Mrs. LaFayette Davis  
Charles C. Cross  
Darrell Ayer  
Bernard Johnson  
Robert Flournoy  
Martin H. Peabody

##### *Intermediate Two:*

Virginia Stovall  
Mrs. Mahlon B. Mercer  
Mrs. William R. Chambers

Olena McCullers  
Jacqueline Bryan  
James L. Burnett  
Jane Carter  
Cuyler M. Gunn

*Intermediate One:*

Mrs. J. Robert Eubanks  
Mrs. Bloss A. Brown  
Mrs. Earl T. Byers  
Mrs. James Dudley  
J. Randy Edmondson  
Howard Gunter  
Mrs. Robert S. Kerr  
John G. Lert  
Mrs. J. H. McWhite  
Lester G. Davis

*Junior Four:*

John A. Butler  
Mrs. John A. Butler  
Mrs. W. F. Broadwell  
Thomas L. Cooper  
Mrs. R. N. R. Bardwell  
Arnold Burks  
Mrs. Thomas L. Cooper  
H. R. Page  
A. M. Smith

*Junior Three:*

Rosa May King  
Mrs. Mary F. Bowman  
Mrs. Wingfield Short  
Mrs. James E. Wood  
Mrs. Albert L. Evans  
B. Dudley Casey, Jr.  
Henry T. Collinsworth, Jr.  
Julian M. Harrison, Jr.  
Mrs. Paul Shoffeitt  
Samuel West  
Mrs. Samuel West

*Junior Two:*

Mrs. Hugh B. Martin  
Mrs. H. B. Floyd  
Eugene G. Acree  
Doyle Butler  
Joseph Crespi  
Mrs. Frances Fuller  
W. A. Hanke  
Mrs. W. A. Hanke  
Mrs. J. B. Mathews  
Paul Moss  
Mrs. B. C. Simpson

*Junior One:*

Mrs. W. Beecher DuVall  
Mrs. A. P. Douglass  
John Dunwody

E. B. Mercer  
Ruth Twining  
William W. Anderson, Jr.  
Clayton L. Buford  
Mrs. W. Clifford Hendrix  
Roselle Knight  
Mrs. T. M. McClellan  
David O. Price  
Woodrow Tucker  
Mrs. Fred T. Wooten

*Primary Three:*

Marie Collinsworth  
James D. Cromer  
Mrs. H. R. Page  
Mrs. Roy Shore  
Lillie M. Thompson  
Jean Donaldson  
Mrs. Bernice L. MacArthur  
Mrs. James R. Moore  
Vicky Nettles  
Carolyn Pitman  
Kay Scheesley  
Marie Shore  
Barbara Young

*Primary Two:*

Esther Harris  
Mrs. W. A. Brim  
Mrs. A. C. Burton  
Mrs. Richard Russell  
Mrs. J. B. Stovall, Jr.  
Barbara Brim  
Mrs. D. J. Hogg  
Mrs. Robert L. Knox  
Mrs. James S. Malone, Jr.  
Mrs. Walter V. McCarson  
Mrs. H. C. McKoy  
Mrs. W. B. Nixon  
Nellie Mae Rutledge  
Mrs. W. C. Warlick

*Primary One:*

Mrs. Charles C. Cross  
Mrs. Benjamin A. Dyas  
Mrs. Dan W. Mooney  
Mrs. W. J. Nettles  
Mrs. Lon M. Bridges  
Mrs. Robert F. Bryan  
Mrs. B. Dudley Casey, Jr.  
Mrs. C. W. Cummings  
Mrs. James A. Dukes  
Mrs. James B. Gray  
Mrs. John G. Lert  
Martha Morgan  
Mrs. Mary Vinzant  
Mrs. W. B. Williamson

*Beginner Four:*

Mrs. A. C. Frost  
Mrs. Ed Dorsey  
Mrs. Phil J. McLean  
Mrs. C. G. Smith  
Mrs. Alline Stafford  
Mrs. W. M. Teem, Jr.  
Mrs. Raymond N. Walsh

*Beginner Three:*

Mrs. Norman Cooledge  
Mrs. Howard Brent  
Mrs. F. S. Callahan  
Mrs. J. H. Cunard  
Mrs. Wayne R. Duttonhaver  
Jane DuBose  
Mrs. P. H. B. Richardson  
Mrs. R. E. Wood  
Miss Florence Willoughby

*Beginner Two:*

Mrs. George Williamson  
Mrs. Clifford C. Cole, Jr.  
Mrs. Robert L. Cousins  
Mrs. W. S. Simms

*Beginner One:*

Mrs. John L. Carr, Jr.  
Mary Lane Bryan  
Mrs. Ida Cobble  
Elizabeth Ann Gay  
Mrs. William S. Malone, Jr.  
Mrs. W. Maurice Thompson

*Nursery 3-B:*

Mrs. Albert S. Anderson  
Mrs. L. F. Hardy, Jr.  
Amy Mitchell  
Mrs. H. E. Rachels  
Frances Smith

*Nursery 3-A:*

Mrs. Gordon Bussey  
Mrs. A. M. Howard  
Mrs. William R. Knight  
Mrs. R. Benton Odum  
Patsy Walsh

*Nursery Two:*

Mrs. Glynn F. Houze  
Mrs. Guy H. Adams  
Mrs. A. H. Moorhead  
Mrs. W. Kelly Mosley  
Mrs. E. H. Ogletree  
Mrs. Homer Swanson

*Nursery One:*

Mrs. Charles Howard Allen  
Mrs. Leo L. Rainey, Jr.

### *Infant Nursery:*

Mrs. Wyatt C. Whitley  
Mrs. T. B. McLeod  
Mrs. Raymond Smith  
Mrs. James Stanfield

### *Cradle Roll No. Two:*

Mrs. F. L. Mattfeldt  
Mrs. E. J. Archbold  
Mrs. T. H. Eubanks  
Mrs. Joe R. May  
Mrs. Clifford L. Newton  
Mrs. John S. Nichols

### *Cradle Roll No. One:*

Mrs. Sam L. North  
Mrs. W. F. Broadwell  
Mrs. Paul E. Brown  
Mrs. J. Doyle Butler  
Mrs. C. Weston Goode  
Mrs. John L. Hendon  
Mrs. Dan W. Mooney

Mrs. J. O. North  
Mrs. G. Emerson Taylor

### *Extension No. One:*

Mrs. John A. Copeland  
Mrs. N. D. Eubank  
Martha Clements  
Bertha Schaid  
James J. Wooten  
Edward H. Friedman  
John B. Greene  
Mrs. John B. Greene  
Thomas M. Harris  
Mrs. Thomas M. Harris  
Mrs. Hugh D. Carter  
Mrs. Osbon Chambers  
Mrs. Wallace O. DuVall  
Mrs. John F. Echols  
W. A. Goodman  
Mrs. W. A. Goodman  
Mrs. Straiton Hard  
Mrs. E. G. Holt  
Mrs. Frank A. Hooper, Jr.

Mrs. Luther Isbell  
Mrs. William M. King  
Mrs. E. Clem Powers  
Mrs. Walter A. Rhodes  
Mr. C. E. Rodenberg  
F. C. Sturmer  
Mrs. F. C. Sturmer  
Mrs. Oscar W. Waggoner  
Mrs. Ralph M. Walker

### *Extension No. Two:*

Mrs. Montague Boyd  
Mrs. Willis E. Ragan  
Mrs. Ballard Irwin  
Mrs. W. W. Anderson  
Mrs. C. G. Aycock  
Mrs. Earl H. Cone  
Mrs. J. Curtis Dixon  
Mrs. James S. Jetton  
Mrs. H. Warner Martin  
Mrs. George T. Northen  
Mrs. Croom Partridge  
Mrs. C. R. Younts

## *Adult Sunday School Work*

Adult Sunday School work can be traced from the early beginnings in 1854, when one class ministered to both men and women, down through the period of the "Organized Classes," which were complete organizations within themselves, to the present, where adult classes co-operate in assemblies and a correlated program of activities. There are now six Adult departments in our graded Sunday School organization. Several Adult classes still meet separately, rather than in an assembly with other Adult classes, because of space problems. The Adult departments increased from two to five in 1952 and the sixth was added in 1954. These departments are graded as follows: Adult 1, ages 25-31; Adult 2, ages 32-38; Adult 3, ages 39-44; Adult 4, ages 45-54; Adult 5, ages 55-up; Adult 6, ages 45-up. A brief word about the classes follows:

### **WOMAN'S BIBLE CLASS**

In 1932, when the Second-Ponce de Leon Sunday School began, the three women's classes united and became the Woman's Bible Class, with Mrs. Samuel Lumpkin, teacher and Mrs. S. L. Taylor, associate teacher. Mrs. Emily P. Morris served as the efficient president for ten years. Mrs. A. H. Strickland succeeded Mrs. Lumpkin as teacher.

This class has been standard for ten years and is following the "Simplified Program" of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. Mrs. C. L. Studdard is president. The enrollment is 26 and the class is in the Adult 5 Department.

### **MEN'S BIBLE CLASS**

On Sunday morning, November 20, 1932, the Men's Bible Classes of the merged churches were consolidated into the Men's Bible Class of the Second-Ponce de Leon Church. Dr. M. L. Brittain was elected teacher of the class and served continuously until his death in June, 1953. In September, 1953, General William E. Brougher was chosen teacher to succeed him and is the present teacher. Mr. Cecil Cannon served as president in 1953-54, and Mr. Hugh Murphy succeeded him. The enrollment is 216 and the class is in the Adult 5 Department.

### **TRIPLE E CLASS**

When the churches merged, in 1932, the Triple E Class came from the Second Baptist Church and kept its identity as one of the classes for men. Then Judge Frank A. Hooper became the teacher, with eight members on the roll. Among the teachers who have served the class since 1932 have been J. Chandler Burton, E. L. Emery, Col.





#### MARY SPALDING CLASS

President, Mrs. E. G. Holt

Teacher, Mrs. James J. Wooten

Walter J. Wadlington, Dr. Henry L. Edwards, and at present Judge Claude D. Shaw. Mr. Charles E. Wilson, Jr., is the president. The enrollment is 213, and the class is in the Adult 4 Department.

#### FIDELIS CLASS

The Fidelis Class was organized at the Second Baptist Church by eighteen young business women. Today it is largely a matron's class. Miss Mary Robert was the first teacher. She was followed by other strong teachers. Mrs. M. L. Brittain was the teacher when the churches

merged. She was succeeded by Mrs. Fred W. Patterson. In 1953, Mrs. David F. Boyd became the teacher, with Mrs. R. L. Turman as her associate. From the Fidelis Class in 1951 came a group to form the Pioneer Class in Adult 3 Department. Many of the Fidelis Class members are teaching in the Sunday School. In the spirit of sharing, this class has multiplied. Mrs. Robert S. Ingols is the president. The enrollment is 29 and the class is in the Adult 2 Department.

#### ALIAE CLASS

In 1932, sixty young women organized the

#### MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

President, E. S. Edwards

Teacher, General W. E. Brougher





Aliae Class, with Mrs. Ryland Kinght as their teacher, and Mrs. George Mathieson, the associate teacher. Mrs. Knight led and inspired the class until 1945, when Dr. Knight resigned his pastorate.

Aliae has had many other fine teachers: Mrs. George Mathieson, Mrs. C. J. Lively, Mrs. J. Ernest Williams, Mrs. Strickland Corbitt, and Mrs. Noble Y. Beall, the present teacher. Mrs. R. C. Mathews, Jr., is president of the class. The enrollment is 239 and the class is in the Adult 5 Department.

#### MARY SPALDING BIBLE CLASS

The Mary Spalding Bible Class dates back to 1933. After the merger of Second Baptist Church with the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, a number of Second Baptist members joined the Bible Study Class taught by Mrs. Clifford M. Stodghill, Sr. After several years, Mrs. Stodghill resigned and Mrs. John S. Spalding became the teacher. The name was changed to the Corrie Brown Bible Class, which name it bore until the death of Mrs. George M. Brown, Sr., (Corrie Brown). Then the name was changed again in honor of Mrs. Spalding, the name it still bears. When Mrs. Spalding resigned, in 1943, Mrs. James J. Wooten became the teacher and still serves in that position. Mrs. E. G. Holt is president. The enrollment is 44 and the class is in the Adult 5 Department.

#### T. E. L. CLASS

The T. E. L. Class was organized when the churches merged. The members came from two classes—the Gleaners, in Second Church; and the Pacemakers, in Ponce de Leon. Mrs. George Mathieson taught for two years and was followed by Mrs. Clifford M. Stodghill. Mrs. Stephen Pugh succeeded Mrs. Stodghill and served until 1954. Mrs. J. L. Davis is now serving as teacher and Mrs. Edwin F. Edwards is president. The enrollment is 75 and the class is in the Adult 5 Department.

#### ALETHEA CLASS

The Alethea Class, with Mrs. Spann W. Milner as teacher, had its beginning in September, 1944, with a membership of twenty-five young women. The late Dr. M. L. Brittain, beloved father of Mrs. Milner, suggested that "Alethea", from a Greek word meaning truth, be the name of the class. Under the leadership of Mrs. Milner, the class has grown through the years. The class has contributed numerous workers and teachers to

other departments in the Sunday School. Mrs. Tom M. Murray is the president. The class has a present enrollment of 94 and is in the Adult 2 Department.

#### BUSINESS MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

This class for young business men was organized in 1944 and became a part of a newly organized Adult 1 Department in October, 1945. Mr. Charles E. Hammond was the teacher of the class and served until October, 1951. Mr. J. LaFayette Davis, Jr., then became teacher. Mr. Marion Thompson Lewis is president. The enrollment is 38 and the class is in the Adult 2 Department.

#### THE PARTICIPATORS' CLASS

The Participators' Class was originally called the Fellowship Class and came into existence in June, 1946. Mr. Boyce L. Graham has served as teacher throughout the life of the class. It was a part of Adult 1 Department until 1952, when it became part of the present Adult 2 Department. Mr. E. W. Sweatman, Jr., is the president and the enrollment is 18.

#### DORCAS CLASS

The Dorcas Class was organized in February, 1948 and was first named the Phebean Class. Mrs. Carlton W. Binns served as teacher. The class was renamed the Marie Binns Class in her honor. In September, 1951, the Adult work was reorganized and this class became a part of a new Adult 1 Department. It then took the name of Dorcas, with Mrs. W. Sheffield Owen becoming the teacher, and she served until 1954. Mrs. Oliver C. Wilbanks is now the teacher, with Mrs. Clyde Chandler serving as president. The enrollment is 48.

#### KING'S DAUGHTERS CLASS

The King's Daughters Class was organized February 1, 1948, with eighteen members. Mrs. C. J. Lively helped organize the class and served as teacher for five years, with Mrs. Edgar H. Cherry as associate teacher. Mrs. Cherry is the present teacher. During the six years of the class' life twenty-four members have gone out to work in different departments of the Sunday School. Mrs. W. L. Lee served as president in 1953-54. She was succeeded by Mrs. B. H. Thompson. The enrollment is 32 and the class is in the Adult 3 Department.

#### THE PIONEER CLASS

The Pioneer Class was formed in 1952, with a





### TRIPLE E CLASS

President, Charles E. Wilson

Teacher, Judge Claude Shaw

nucleus for the class coming from the Fidelis Class. It became one of the three classes in the new Adult 3 Department. Miss Sara E. Evans has taught the class since it was organized. Miss Lillian Gates is the president and the enrollment is 65.

### THE VOLUNTEER CLASS

The Volunteer Class was formed in 1952, with Mr. C. J. Lively as teacher. As the men's class in Adult 3 Department, this class has shown a vigorous vitality. One of the chief points of strength has been a weekly visitation night. Mr. John S. Nichols succeeded Mr. Lively and is the

present teacher. Dr. Ben A. Dyas is president. The enrollment is 31.

### DAUGHTERS OF RUTH CLASS

The Daughters of Ruth Class was organized in September, 1952, when the Adult Sunday School was reorganized into five departments. A nucleus for the class came from the Marie Binns Class. Mrs. Joe S. Crespi has been the teacher from the beginning of the class, which has grown steadily to an enrollment of 34. Miss Bruce Thompson is the president. The class is part of the Adult 1 Department.

### ALETHEA CLASS

President, Mrs. Tom Murray

Teacher, Mrs. Spann Milner





### TWENTIETH CENTURY CLASS

The Twentieth Century Class is the class for young men in Adult 1 Department, organized in September, 1952. Mr. Ross Arnold has served as teacher from the beginning. Several members of the Business Men's Class became the nucleus for this new class. The enrollment has grown to 36 in its brief history. Mr. Harold Montague serves as president.

### LYDIAN CLASS

The Lydian Class was organized in October, 1952, and although it is one of our newer classes, it has grown from an attendance of six the first Sunday to an enrollment of 50. Mrs. Grady A. Lee has taught the class since its organization. Mrs. Ben F. Brady is the president. The class is in the Adult 2 Department.

### KEYSTONE CLASS

The Keystone is another recently organized class, beginning in 1952, with Rev. Charles Howard Allen serving as its first teacher. When a Married Young People's Department was organized, in February, 1954, Mr. Allen and several class members left the class to assist the new Department. Mr. Lawrence Saggus was then

enlisted to teach and is the present teacher. Mr. Eddie G. Chandler, Jr., is president. The enrollment is 10 and the class is in the Adult 1 Department.

### ADULT SIX CLASSES

In the latest expansion of Adult work, a new department was organized March 7, 1954, with four classes. Mr. R. C. Mathews, Jr., is serving as superintendent. The women's classes are: the Gleaners Class, taught by Mrs. Carlton W. Binns; and the Bethany Class, taught by Mrs. Carter Harrison. Mr. Henry C. Johnson is the teacher of the Berean Class and Mr. James J. Wooten teacher of the Fellowship Class. The department has an enrollment of 32 and promises to be one of our most effective departments.

### PREVIEW

Plans for the future call for the establishment of more Adult classes in our expanding program of Bible study. Experience has proved that a church can reach as many Adults as it is willing "to provide for and go after." Adult grading and promotion are essential to growth and vitality. Second-Ponce de Leon will keep step with progress, to the glory of our Lord and Saviour.

## *Department and Class Activities*

### ~~~~~ SECOND-PONCE DE LEON SUNDAY SCHOOL ~~~~~

Dear to the heart of our church is the Georgia Baptist Children's Home, at Hapeville, Georgia. Under the leadership of Mr. N. D. Eubank and Mr. W. R. Cox, between thirty and fifty thousand dollars was pledged through the years to build and equip a cottage for boys at the Home. This cottage was dedicated in June, 1953. During World War II the elementary departments saved war stamps and their bonds put many bricks into the Cottage.

With the Church Advisory Council as steering committee, the Sunday School has been host to several hundred children on the second Sunday morning in December. The first celebration was in December, 1933, when a Christmas party was given Sunday afternoon for the children and each child received a gift. From this, the inspiration developed to have the children annually attend the Second-Ponce de Leon Sunday School, the Sanctuary services and be the guests of the church members in their homes for dinner, re-

turning to Hapeville during the afternoon. The hosts for the children brought gifts for them at a later date and these were taken to the Home for their big Christmas tree. The Sunday School has thrilled each year in having a part in this churchwide affair.

Since 1940 the four Junior Departments have shared their Christmas with the members of the Betty's Creek Sunday School, high in the mountains at Rabun, Georgia. As names and ages of the members are received in time for distribution on State Mission Day in the fall, the gifts are on an individual basis. The first week in December a truck comes from the mountains and carries the gifts, clothing, candy and fruits to the Betty's Creek friends. This truck brings from the Betty's Creek Sunday School mistletoe, galax leaves, trees and other mountain loveliness to decorate the Junior Departments for Christmas.



# Sunday School Departments



Primary 1 (6 yrs.)



Junior 1 (9 yrs.)



Junior 2 (10 yrs.)



Junior 3 (11 yrs.)



Junior 4 (12 yrs.)

Intermediate 1 (13 yrs.)







Christmas for Children's Home

During World War II, many of the Elementary Departments supported orphans in China by sending donations through the China Children's Fund in Richmond, Virginia.

The adult classes have engaged in many "Class Ministries" activities through the years. Included in such activities were: buying instruments, uniforms, and a bus for the band and sponsoring a child at the Baptist Children's Home in Hapeville; sewing for the Georgia Baptist Hospital and the Children's Home; giving loan scholarships to missionary and ministerial students; sponsoring missions; helping in Good Will Centers; giving active support to the Carver School of Missions and Social Service at Louisville, including furnishing a faculty room there; working in Red Cross activities; sending underprivileged children to summer camp; sending food and clothing to missionaries and needy people at home and abroad; and many other activities. The classes exert an even greater influence now in supporting the program of the church through the Unified Budget.

#### EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

##### Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

As there are many members of the church who are prohibited from attending the services on account of circumstances beyond their control—age, physical disabilities and professional duties—the Extension Department was organized to minister to these.

This department has a superintendent and thirty-one visitors, who have a monthly meeting at which their work is planned. Each visitor has a group to which to minister. Monthly visits are made, literature is distributed to the members, birthday remembrances are made and on special days during the year baskets of fruit or flowers are sent. On Mother's Day, 1954, seventy baskets of fruit were sent.

The following named superintendents of the Extension Department have rendered splendid service: Mrs. James J. Wooten, Mrs. Harold Loyd (nee Carolyn DuVall), Mrs. John F. Echols, and the present superintendent, Mrs. John A. Copeland, Sr.

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

##### Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

During the summer of 1933, the six churches of the north side community—Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist, Covenant Presbyterian, Peachtree Road Presbyterian, Peachtree Road Methodist, Calvary Baptist, and the Cathedral of St. Philip—realized the need of some organized religious activities for their children.

In June, 1934, the first Northside Vacation Bible School was held in the Second-Ponce de Leon Church. It was the combined effort of these churches in the community to meet the needs of the children. The Baptist Vacation Bible School program was followed, giving instruction



in Bible stories, memory work, character stories, songs, recreation and handicraft.

This Northside Vacation Bible School was held each summer from 1934 to 1937, inclusive. All the sessions were held in the Second-Ponce de Leon Church, except the 1937 session, which was held in the Covenant Presbyterian Church. Dean Raimundo de Ovies was the Principal in 1934, 1935 and 1936. Dr. E. T. Wilson, Pastor of the Peachtree Road Presbyterian Church was Principal in 1937.

In order that we might give evangelistic and denominational emphasis, both of which were needed, in June, 1938, the Second-Ponce de Leon Church launched its own school, under the efficient leadership of Mr. N. D. Eubank, who was Principal for the years 1939 and 1940, also. Under Mr. Eubank's inspiring and consecrated guidance, the school grew to be one of the largest in the state. Southern Baptist literature, plans and programs were adhered to.

During the ministry of Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., he has annually led the Joint Assembly period of the Intermediates and Juniors, telling character stories daily and giving evangelistic leadership.

Most offerings taken in the schools have been directed to Missions and the Co-operative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A training school is held in May for the faculty. Saturdays have served as Preparation Days, with special activities directed to the interests of the children. The enrollment in 1954 was 385.

The Vacation Bible School has been fortunate in its Principals:

Mr. N. D. Eubank	1938-1940
Mrs. Spann W. Milner	1941-1942
Mrs. Carter Harrison	1943-1944
Mrs. Wayne K. Rivers	1945
Mr. John K. Durst	1946
Rev. Charles Howard Allen	1947-1950
Mrs. Grover C. Bowden	1951-1952
Rev. Charles Howard Allen	1953
Mr. Oliver C. Wilbanks	1954

## HAVEN HOME (Fulton County Alms House) Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Sunday School

In 1940 E. L. Emery became so impressed with the need for Christian service for the old people at the Fulton County Alms House that he enlisted the help of Wesley N. Fain and they began regular Sunday morning services at Haven Home. In 1943 Mr. Emery moved from Atlanta and James J. Wooten succeeded him. Mr. Wooten, who is the present superintendent, was ably assisted for seven years by Mrs. Strickland Corbitt, the members of Mrs. Spann W. Milner's class, and Bernie L. Kennedy.

In 1948 a committee was organized, so that the work could be divided and certain committee members take charge on specified Sundays. This permanent committee consists of Mr. Wooten, chairman; Edward H. Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Harris. Mr. W. Herrin Austin and Mr. Kennedy have charge of the music. Mrs. Jessie Boyington, general superintendent of the Home, and Miss Lillian Baggarly, her assistant, have co-operated splendidly. Miss Belle Cowie, who is a blind resident, has given valuable assistance with the singing. In the section of the Home reserved for colored people, Robert is the song leader and his spirituals mean much to their services.

Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas are observed with programs and gifts for the white residents of the Home. When Sunday School is over, on the second Sunday in each month, a special birthday service is held and those having birthdays during that month are given \$1.00 each. On this Sunday a committee from the Aliae Class assists with the services in both the white and colored sections of the Home. For the past ten years services, directed by Mrs. Mary Fuller and Hal Patterson, have been held in the Home for Colored People and have been a part of Second-Ponce de Leon's work for the aged. As few of the colored people know their birthdate, a birthday celebration for them is held on a Sunday afternoon in September. This includes a musical program, entertainment, refreshments and a gift for each colored resident. This is a very joyful occasion for them.



# Centennial Year 1954

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

*Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

### OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	MRS. ROBERT L. COUSINS
<i>Honorary President</i> .....	MRS. MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR.
<i>First Vice-President—Chairman of Membership</i> .....	MRS. ARTHUR C. TUGGLE
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<i>Assistant Chairman</i> .....	MRS. BROOKS PEARSON
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<i>Historian</i> .....	MRS. OWEN C. MCCONNELL

### *Past Presidents (1932-1954)*

1. Mrs. George Mathieson	1932-1933	7. Mrs. Grover C. Bowden	1942-1944
2. Mrs. Spann W. Milner	1933-1935	8. Mrs. Carlton W. Binns	1944-1946
3. Mrs. W. B. Willingham, Jr.	1935-1937	9. Mrs. W. Kelly Mosley	1946-1948
4. Mrs. Wayne K. Rivers	1937-1938	10. Mrs. Carter C. Harrison	1948-1950
5. Mrs. Bolling Jones, Jr.	1938-1940	11. Mrs. Charles T. Harrell	1950-1952
6. Mrs. James N. Brawner	1940-1942	12. Mrs. Robert L. Cousins	1952-1954

### THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

President, Mrs. Robert L. Cousins



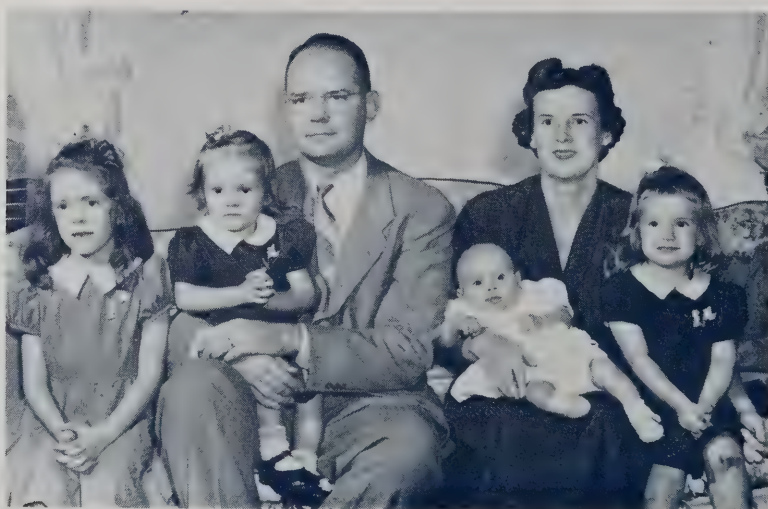


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Japan





# *History of* **THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION**

**1932-1954**

*by* MRS. OWEN (Maude West) McCONNELL

The merger of the churches took place in November, 1932 and the first meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church was held December 5, 1932, with Mrs. George Mathieson as president. It was most fitting that they chose it as the Day of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the ingathering of the Lottie Moon Offering.

From the beginning there was a beautiful spirit of cooperation. These words of Dr. Ryland Knight, said after the merger was completed, "To get in touch with and to try to place and hold everyone on the Church roll; to visit and cheer the forlorn—those spiritually as well as physically ill—and show concern for the strangers in our midst; and to help and maintain quiet and reverence in God's House"—are still the concern of the Woman's Missionary Union today.

The first Constitution and by-laws for the Second-Ponce de Leon Woman's Missionary Society was adopted on January 2, 1933, (Mrs. M. A. Sandifer Constitution Committee Chairman). Five hundred copies were printed at the Georgia Baptist Orphanage, now the Georgia Baptist Children's Home, and sold to the members for ten cents a copy.

In the merger there was the problem of the

merging of the circles of the two churches. Instead of a general shake-up, the circles were paired, allowing the chairmen to re-arrange the membership list of their two circles. The next year the circles were drawn as usual. First the meetings were held in the afternoon and for awhile in the homes. For some years an attendance pennant was awarded the circle having the most members present at the meetings and \$5.00 was given to the circle having the largest number at the Mission Study. The Co-chairman of our Centennial Celebration, Mrs. Spann Milner, was the second President.

The first Home Mission Day of Prayer was held in February, 1933 with a collection of \$116.76. The members of the W.M.U. subscribed to the 100,000 Club to help pay the big Baptist debt. They gave old silver and gold jewelry to the Crucible Campaign; saved Octagon Soap Coupons for the Georgia Baptist Children's Home and gave to the Margaret Fund, etc.

The beloved, late Mrs. John S. Spalding, W.M.U. historian at the time of her death in 1953, instituted the beautiful custom of placing flowers in the church as memorial to loved ones, as was done at the old Second Baptist. From some of the old minutes we find the women of



Missionary Pageant, Miss F. Catharine Bryan, Director

the W.M.S. had drills in Parliamentary Law and placed a time limit on speakers.

In 1937 work among the Jews and Chinese was added to the other Personal Services, such as the Goodwill Centers, (Kate Dawson; Andrew and Frances Stewart) the Georgia Baptist Children's Home and the Georgia Baptist Hospital. Then later in 1938 the circle meeting and general meeting were combined into one day—the first Monday in each month with luncheon served after the meeting. Also the Day of Prayer became the Week of Prayer.

The W.M.U. has helped in all the great undertakings of the Church; the Cooperative Program, the Building Fund and the ten thousand dollar student revolving fund to be loaned to worthwhile students at the Seminary. The W.M.U. Memorial Fund was established in 1941; the \$100 a year is given to some activity of the Baptist State or Associational work, such as Goodwill Centers or Georgia Baptist Children's Home.

No history of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist W.M.U. could be written without a tribute to Mrs. Ryland Knight and her brilliant and beautiful personality. They established the Bess Acree Knight \$5,000 Scholarship Fund to Shorter College in her honor. We have always been so proud of our three members, who are missionaries on Foreign Fields, Miss F. Catharine Bryan to China; Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Garrett (nee Mary Ellen Wooten), to Africa; and Mrs. Noble Y. Beall, Director of Goodwill Centers on the Home Mission Field. We are also very proud of the many fine and noble women who have given most generously of their time and money through the years, but space will not permit us to list them.

In 1942 we entertained the State W.M.U. Convention of 1500 women. Mrs. Frank Burney, the State President, presented a plaque to our church commemorating the organization of the W.M.S. 60 years before at the old Second Baptist.

Between 1944-1946 the W.M.U. was in charge of two beautiful Church receptions, one in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Knight and the other in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr. Mrs. Swilley has given most generously of her beautiful voice to the W.M.U.

In 1946 the first reading contest was held. It was first called the Woman's Missionary Round Table Reading Plan. It encouraged Mission Study and the use of the Church Library. In January, 1947, we went on the Unified Budget.

During the War years our W.M.U. sent cloth-

ing and relief to the Italian Women, supplies to European War Relief, "Pieces for Peace" for world relief; did Red Cross work, and assisted at the Soldier's Recreational Center.

Our Personal Service is now called Community Missions and is observed with a Day of Prayer. In addition to the former work has been added Short Street Mission, Jackson Day Nursery and Jordan Day Nursery, Michael School for the Deaf and prison work.

Our W.M.U. for some years has been a member of the Atlanta Council of Church Women, now called the United Church Women.

The W.M.S. made a Memorial Gift honoring the late Mrs. J. W. Zachry and Mrs. George Westmoreland and Mrs. E. C. Laird of \$100 each to the Chapel Fund for Camp Pinnacle, the W.M.U. Camp, in honor of their long and faithful service to our Georgia State W.M.U.

The Woman's Missionary Union fosters the work among our young people. We have the Sunbeams, (which originally was called the F. Catharine Bryan Sunbeams) the Girl's Auxiliary, which had a beautiful Coronation Ceremony on November 7, 1951 when four queens were crowned; the Royal Ambassadors, who have had three of their members reach the rank of Ambassador and go on the Mission Tour.

Our Society has been blessed in hearing some of the greatest Mission speakers. Ours was the first speaking engagement of Dr. Theron Rankin after his repatriation on the Gripsholm from his long imprisonment in China, Dr. George W. Sadler, Secretary for Africa and the Near East, Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., Secretary for Latin America and Dr. J. B. Lawrence and Dr. Courts Redford of the Home Mission Board, all have spoken to us.

Our W.M.U. was represented at the breaking of ground for the new educational building on August 13, 1950. We observed the World Day of Prayer February 29, 1952.

We were the first W.M.U. in the Atlanta Association and Georgia to entertain Foreign College Students, making for better brotherhood among nations. Invitations were extended to foreign students at Georgia Tech, and over 200 foreign students studying here in Atlanta have been entertained in the homes of our members.

The W.M.S. has offered a scholarship loan of \$100 each year to any student from our Church who is studying in graduate school preparing for full time Christian Service. The loan scholarship shall become a gift if the stu-



dent serves as a missionary under the Home or Foreign Mission Boards within two years after the recipient leaves graduate school.

The Business and Professional Women's Circle, or League, founded at old Second Baptist by the late Mrs. Frederic J. Paxon, has been a great part of our W.M.U. and the citywide celebration of its 40th anniversary was held at our Church November 19, 1953. We have had a steady increase through years in gifts to Missions and our W.M.U. gave \$5,028.63 to the Lottie Moon Offering December 1953, and to the Annie Arm-

strong Offering this year, 1954, \$2,568.42.

The twelve wonderful Presidents are listed with the years they served at the beginning of this history and to them the W.M.U. will always owe a deep debt of gratitude for their leadership and inspiration.

As we have reviewed the past, so let us look to the future with faith, knowing that "THE LORD THY GOD SHALL BLESS THEE IN ALL THY WORKS, AND IN ALL THAT THOU PUTTEST THINE HAND UNTO."

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*History of*  
*The Woman's Missionary and Benevolent Society*  
*of the Second Baptist Church*  
*Atlanta, Georgia*

By MRS. JAMES DAWKINS (Minnie Hillyer) CROMER

Just one hundred years ago, on September 1, 1854, a little band of devoted members of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga.—19 in number—having been previously dismissed, at their own request, from the First Church, for the express purpose of organizing a new church, met and constituted the Second Baptist Church. None had much money, but they were all consecrated Christians, very much in earnest, and with some outside assistance, they purchased the lot on the corner of Washington and Mitchell Sts., and built thereon a house of worship at a cost of \$14,000, a small amount, according to present standards, but a goodly sum for those days. I would like to tell of the early struggles, then the growth and prosperity of the new church, but its history will be told by others, so I will only record that the old Second has come to be known as "A mother of churches, ministers and statesmen." Some of the daughters of this church, all of which started as Mission Sunday Schools, are, Central, 1869; Jones Avenue, 1869; Woodward Ave., 1871; Temple, 1873; Capitol Ave., 1880; Glenn St., 1884; The Baptist Tabernacle, during the 1880's; Immanuel, 1894; and The McDonald Mission, 1903, also Capitol View Baptist Church.

Of the nineteen who organized the new church, eleven were women. The names of those eleven women were recorded. They were—Mrs. Frances

Lipham, Mrs. Dora E. L. Bomar, wife of the first clerk of the church, Mrs. Nancy B. McDaniel, Mrs. R. J. McDaniel, Mrs. Caroline McDaniel, Mrs. R. Myers, Mrs. Elizabeth Wells, Mrs. Mary Bullard, Mrs. M. Oglesby, Mrs. E. Shurburn and Mrs. E. Richardson.

In 1859 an Aid Society, as it was then called, was organized with Mrs. Sidney Root as President, but it was not until June 1873, under the influence and recommendation of the Pastor, Dr. Albert T. Spalding, that the Women's Missionary and Benevolent Society was formed—the 3rd in Georgia, as the women had already organized in the Baptist Churches of Cartersville and Marietta earlier in that same year, 1873. Dr. Spalding outlined the objects of Woman's Mission to Women, as follows: "Go do good among the women of America and among those of heathen nations. Here at home destitute families are to be visited, prayed with and pointed to the Lamb of God, and their wants, if possible are to be supplied."

During these early years of the Society, the women found abundant work to do among the poor of the city, for many well-to-do families had suddenly been reduced from ease and affluence, by the fortunes and consequences of the War, to direst poverty and during the winter of 1878-79 there was so much suffering that the women of the church provided a home, rent free,

for the needy women and children of the church. If the women were able to work, work was provided for them; if not, they were cared for without charge.

It was during 1873 that Miss Lottie Moon of Cartersville, Ga., offered herself as a Missionary to China, and almost immediately our women were fired with zeal to help, and in a few months had raised \$149.00 toward building her a mission house in China. Never have we lost this enthusiasm, and never since that time, 1873, have we failed in the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, which amounted in 1952 to the high peak of \$3,107,160.66.

It might be interesting to note that dues of 10 cents a month were first paid during the administration of Mrs. Mary Lane Baird, 4th President, and that the first Missionary box was packed while Mrs. Sidney Root was President, and sent to a Sunday School in the mountains of North Georgia, at Ellijay.

In 1882, of the \$2,000 given by the Second Church for Missions and Benevolence, \$800.00 came from the Women's Society, which contribution by 1901 had increased to \$2,833.73. This was mainly because now there were four societies—"daughters of the parent organization, The Mission Workers or Young Ladies Society, the Junior Mission Workers, and the Christian Lights Band."

From the beginning, the work of the Master was carried on through the various channels of Home, Foreign, State and City Missions; Ministerial Education, Aid to the Aged Ministers, Orphan's Home, Travellers Aid, Georgia Baptist Hospital, and our two Goodwill Centers.

Many of us older ones—young then, of course, can remember well the day each year we all met in the big Sunday School Assembly room to pack the boxes which were sent to our home missionaries on the frontier. The privilege of sending the missionary's wife a nice dress was for many years claimed by our dear Mrs. A. E. Bozeman, who always pinned a \$10.00 bill to the dress. Imagine the joy of that dear wife when the bill was found and she realized it was for her!

The "Central Committee" was organized in the old Second Church, November 18, 1878. And in 1884, when the State Convention was in session, the first open meeting inviting delegates from all over the State was held in the Second Baptist Church while Dr. Henry McDonald was Pastor.

Then in 1888, when the Southern Baptist Convention was being held in Richmond, Va., and the women were meeting there also, but in

another church, a southwide Women's Missionary Union was formed with delegates from each state. Georgia had sent three, all from the Second Church. Mrs. Stainback Wilson, an early President of our W.M.S., Mrs. Harvey Hatcher, wife of a prominent Baptist preacher and Mrs. M. B. Barnes, Sunday School teacher and daughter of Dr. I. T. Tichenor.

In 1904 the Second Church celebrated its semi-centennial with proper ceremonies and exercises lasting from Nov. 27-30. Sunday morning the 27th there was a reception to our "Mother Church." The entire service was under the direction of the First Baptist Church, John M. Greene, Chairman of Board of Deacons, presiding. The sermon was by Dr. W. W. Landrum, the Pastor, and the First Baptist presented the music.

In 1929 the Second Church celebrated its Diamond Jubilee Anniversary, and again the place of honor on our program was given to Greetings from "Our Mother" the glorious First Baptist.

During the pastorate of Dr. Carter Helm Jones, Sept. 12, 1927, when the W.M.S. was celebrating its 73rd anniversary, Mrs. George Westmoreland was asked to speak, she having been for many years a beloved member and teacher in the Primary Department of the Sunday School. Speaking of the Orphan's Home, as it was called then, she said "No work of the Society was entered into more heartily than what was done for the Georgia Baptist Orphan's Home, for the first meeting to consider the formation of the Home, was held in the Second Baptist Church, July 18, 1888, at which time an organization was effected and several members of this church were made officers and trustees, some of whom continue up to this time, giving liberally of their means and their time, namely, Mrs. E. L. Connally and Mrs. A. J. Moore. Mrs. Connally served as Recording Secretary 24 years, and Mrs. Moore was Treasurer for 28 years. Mrs. Moore was the sister of our senior deacon, A. D. Adair, and the mother of our beloved Mrs. Walker Dunson, who now has the distinction of being our oldest member having united with the old Second Church in 1879.

No history of the Women's work of the Second Baptist Church would be complete without an account of the Business Women's League. Dr. Ryland Knight wrote in 1931 that he considered the League one of the outstanding assets of the Second Baptist Church; and that the magnitude of its achievements was unsurpassed, both in the amount of philanthropic work, and personal serv-



ice accomplished by its members; and to prove this he cited the establishment of leagues in other churches here in Atlanta and elsewhere. Thought of and started by Mrs. F. J. Paxon and ably assisted by her husband, Mr. Paxon, she was its capable and devoted President for 20 years, until her death June 28, 1934.

One of the special features added to its wonderful personal service was the \$10,000 endowment and furnishing of a room at the Georgia Baptist Hospital, where members can go, and receive the individual care and attention, at no cost to themselves, that any pay patient would get. The League has also created an emergency fund to loan to those who need financial help after illness and loss of income, which has already proved a great boon to many.

It was decided at the beginning that under no circumstances was the League to be a separate and distinct organization, but must always be one of the circles of the W.M.S. of the church and so it is to the present day.

The women of the Second Church took great pleasure in doing their share of carrying on the work of the church, so very soon after the organization a fine choir was organized amongst the members. My mother, Mrs. Geo. Hillyer, who was married in 1867 came to Atlanta as a bride. She used to tell us about the choir with Mr. J. P. Richards, Mrs. West, and Mrs. Hillyer as singers and Mrs. Richards at the organ. This was an unusually fine instrument and continued in use for many years, in fact until after the building of the new church in 1893.

As I have read and studied the history of the Women's work in the old Second Church, I have come to realize more and more how inadequate this account is, and how very much of interest I have had to leave out. I haven't even mentioned the names of many, many faithful workers who served with love and consecration to the cause and their church through the years; but lack of space forbids and their names and devotion are all recorded in the Lamb's Book of life.

In closing I am recording here the names of the Presidents of the Missionary Society from 1873 to November 1932, the date of the merging of the three churches.

Mrs. Lucy Shaver  
Mrs. John M. Johnson  
Mrs. M. C. Blanchard  
Mrs. Mary Lane Baird  
Mrs. Elmore  
Mrs. Sidney Root  
Mrs. John D. Cunningham

Mrs. A. D. Adair  
Mrs. Albert Cox  
Mrs. E. L. Connally  
Mrs. George W. McCarty, Sr.  
Mrs. George Westmoreland  
Mrs. Samuel Lumpkin  
Mrs. William E. Campbell  
Mrs. John E. White  
Mrs. Frances Brown Chase  
Mrs. Wm. Walker Brookes  
Mrs. Hugh R. Fischer  
Mrs. Robert Emmett Harvey  
Mrs. J. Furniss Lee  
Mrs. Carter Helm Jones  
Mrs. J. S. McCullough  
Mrs. Hal F. Hentz  
Mrs. James Dawkins Cromer  
Mrs. Spann W. Milner

#### PONCE DE LEON AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. R. L. (Maude Pollard) Turman

Someone has very wisely said that those who do not value past history are not likely to make future history. Also I am in full accord with the man who said the chief value of recounting what those have gone before us have done is in the inspiration that we may receive from knowing of their good deeds to make us strive to be worthy of following in their footsteps.

I am not in the position of the Methodist minister who was assigned a task that required a great deal of research. When the minister made his report, he said, "Brethren, I searched diligently for all the data that I could find on the subject, and what I couldn't find by the grace of God, I made up." That is not what I have done because I have lived through this history, and have been a part of it through all the years.

Immediately following the organizing of the Church on October 6, 1904, the women of the church formed themselves into what they called "The Ladies' Aid Society," and it was literally just that—the Ladies' Aid, working with enthusiasm and earnest purpose with the men of the church to build as soon as possible a suitable church home. Mrs. George McCarty, Sr., was elected president, and the raising of money to pay for the building was the goal of all the members.

There were several unique features connected with the newly formed women's society, such as every woman member of the church was considered a member of the Ladies' Aid, and though no stated dues were required for membership,

every woman was urged to follow the Scriptural admonition to "give as the Lord has prospered her." The women's organization was from the very first a vital part of the church both financially and spiritually. Though there were less than 60 women members in the beginning, it was decided to divide the number into four committees to be headed by a chairman who worked with thorough and heartfelt cooperation with the president and other officers of the women's organization, as well as with the men of the church. The women who became the first four chairmen were Mrs. S. T. Marrett, Mrs. Mable H. Hemphill, Mrs. Howard McCall, Sr., and Mrs. R. L. Turman. Each committee, or circle, as they afterwards were called, was composed of practically the same number of women.

As evidence of the effective efforts of the women to help raise the necessary money for the new church building, Mrs. Marrett's committee was the banner committee, having raised that first year, \$548.75, most of it coming from the publication of a cook book containing recipes collected from church women and their friends, plus advertisements from merchants of the city.

In those early days no money-raising scheme was considered too difficult for the women to undertake, such as church suppers, a downtown restaurant, opened for several weeks, rummage sales, talent money and any other plan that was ever known to produce results.

While there was always a Mission Committee as part of the work of the organization, it was soon felt that greater emphasis should be placed upon missions as an essential part of the work, the name of the society was changed by adding the word missions, and henceforth, the name was "The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society." Mrs. J. W. Wills was Mission Committee Chairman at that time.

According to my belief, our society was the first one of our denomination to divide the women into committees or circles, for more effective work, and greater dividing of the responsibility of the work of the president, and consequently many letters inquiring about how the new system was working were received by our organization. This system is now practically universally adopted in women's work in churches elsewhere.

As another evidence of the emphasis being put upon missions, it was under the administration of Mrs. H. H. Hale, now Mrs. John W. W. Simmons of Gainesville, Georgia, who was president of the organization in 1908-09, when our society was in its fifth year, that it was

decided that we should now undertake to pay the salary of a foreign Missionary. Accordingly, after correspondence between Mrs. Hale and Dr. R. J. Willingham, then Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, it was decided that we should adopt as our special missionary and pay annual salary of Miss F. Catharine Bryan, who was born in China, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Bryan, and who had shortly before that time graduated at Hollins College, and returned to China to begin her life work.

We were considered especially fortunate in being able to have Miss Bryan as our special missionary since she not only knew the country, the people, and the difficult language, but was able to speak and understand four dialects. Through all the years since she has continued to be our missionary, coming to us to spend her periodical furloughs, and now in retirement after forty-four years of service, resides near us and is a member of our church, having made many contributions from her rich store of missionary and spiritual experiences, to the life and growth of our church in devotion to world missions.

In the president's record of our sixth year she reported having made 240 visits, having called on every member of the society except 10 who could not be located, and that, too, without an automobile!

It was about this same time that a note on the church building was about to fall due, and the men lacked \$350.00 of being able to meet the note. The men, feeling so sure of the absolute cooperating spirit that prevailed in the church, called upon the women for help, who promptly produced the necessary amount, and though the men, in true business-like fashion, gave their note to secure the loan, when the time came to repay the loan, the women graciously cancelled the note, as if the Standard Oil Co. was the smallest thing we owned.

Dr. Ashby Jones suggested that the women of our church had reached that degree of spiritual development when we should abandon their custom of raising money for our church causes or for Kingdom enterprises. The women agreed, and from that time until the present, we have depended entirely upon freewill offerings, and a sense of obligation to Him who gave His life for us, in that the love of Christ should constrain us in our giving. No one who is familiar with the history of our church would doubt the effectiveness of this better method for the support of our church and denominational causes.

Another unique feature of our church life



which was instituted in the first year, and at the suggestion of our first pastor, Dr. Junius Millard, was the Annual Collation, which took the form of a seated supper to which every member of the church was invited. The supper was prepared and served by the women of the church, and was considered the high spot in the year, featuring not only the reports of the progress of our church, but the social and spiritual side of our work together in Kingdom enterprises. This custom continued to be treasured as a part of our church activities until when we merged with the Second Church, there was no place in our church building large enough to accommodate the numbers who would wish to attend.

No history of our society would be complete without a list of those devoted and consecrated women who have served us as our presidents throughout the years. It should be a sort of Hall of Fame, for surely they deserve honorable mention and great praise.

1904-5 .....	Mrs. George McCarty
1905-6 .....	Mrs. George Brown
1906-7 .....	Mrs. S. J. Marett
1907-8 .....	Mrs. W. W. Martin
1908-9 .....	Mrs. H. H. Hale
1909-10.....	Mrs. R. G. Dunwody
1910-11.....	Mrs. John M. Moore
1911-12.....	Mrs. R. N. R. Bardwell
1912-13.....	Mrs. B. M. Boykin
1913-14.....	Mrs. B. M. Boykin
1914-15.....	Mrs. J. W. Wills
1915-16.....	Mrs. J. W. Wills
1916-17.....	Mrs. H. S. Collinsworth
1917-18.....	Mrs. H. S. Collinsworth
1918-19.....	Mrs. George M. Brown
1919-20.....	Mrs. Earl H. Cone
1920-21.....	Mrs. J. B. McCrary
1921-22.....	Mrs. L. D. Watson
1922-23.....	Mrs. Powers Pace
1923-24.....	Mrs. Powers Pace
1924-25.....	Mrs. M. A. Sandifer
1925-26.....	Mrs. M. A. Sandifer
1926-27.....	Mrs. Powers Pace
1927-28.....	Mrs. Powers Pace
1928-29.....	Mrs. J. H. Zachry

There were exactly 115 charter members in 1904, and at present the following are still living and still members of our church. The men are: Horace Collinsworth, George McCarty, Jr. and Virgil Perryman. Of the women charter members still living and still members of our church in 1954 there are: Mrs. R. G. Dunwody, Mrs. H. H. McCall, Sr., Mrs. George Forrester, Mrs. Horace Collinsworth, Misses Jennie and Marie

Collinsworth, Mrs. W. F. Dykes, Mrs. John McCullough, Miss May McCall who is now Mrs. L. J. Leary, Mrs. Bessie Moore Mitchell and Mrs. R. L. Turman. Where is the man who called women the weaker sex? He's probably dead from frustration!

In the history of our church published when we were ten years old, the following statement appears: "The achievement of our noble women deserves special praise. They are thoroughly organized, ever having as their motto, 'Every Woman Member of the Church a Member of the Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society.' During the first five years they have raised over \$12,000. While much of this has been donated to the church building fund, and the purchase of the organ, and like obligations of our own need, yet not a little has been given to the missionary enterprises of our denomination."

The name of our women's organization was again changed to the name which we now proudly bear—The Women's Missionary Union of the Church, the mother organization of the Young Women's Auxiliary, the Royal Ambassadors, Sunbeams, etc. This change was made in conformity with the name in use among all the women's organizations in the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention and we have now grown to be the largest and most generous contributor to all causes sponsored by the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention.

And now as we record our merging first with the Buckhead Baptist Church and a few years later with the Second Baptist Church, may it be said of us that we are carrying on in a united front under the leadership of our present great leader, Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., in the spirit of Him who said in his prayer "that they may be one"; one in our love and faith and in working for the glory of Him whose we are and Whom we serve.

#### A TRIBUTE FROM THE MISSIONARY

By F. CATHARINE BRYAN

"So they want their own missionary!" commented Dr. R. J. Willingham, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, as he read Mrs. H. H. Hale's letter of September 1, 1908. She, as President of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church Woman's Missionary Society, had been authorized by her Executive Board of 1908 to make this request for a missionary, hoping thereby to enhance their fervor and gifts for missions.

"Well, here she is then," declared Dr. Willing-

ham as he pondered the next letter before him from a young Hollins College graduate in Shanghai, China. She was the China-born daughter of veteran missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan, and was applying for regular membership under the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. Willingham clapped the two requests together, wrote the accepted second-generation missionary that the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church offered her their watch-care whenever she took her furloughs; and then he gave Mrs. Hale and her staff the name of F. Catharine Bryan "to have and to hold" throughout the coming years.

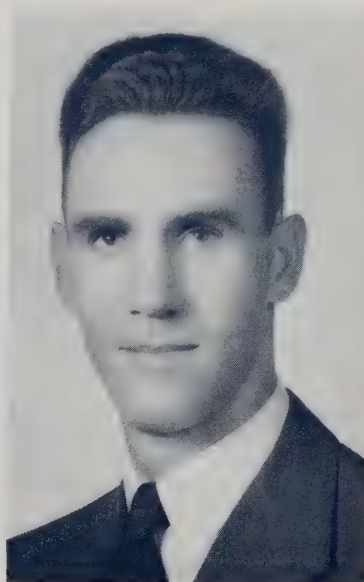
Thus began a long and happy relationship. The young missionary found Mrs. Hale to be a president of real directing power. Her women followed her devoted eagerness to vitalize missions. They abetted her firmness of resolve as they appreciated her sweetness of character and

humble demeanor. She was ever both friendly and generous.

Mrs. Hale, in turn, admired the women she led and often delighted in their fine spirit and cooperation. This womanly zeal for Kingdom service to "the uttermost parts", begun so early, and carried on through many ensuing years by many other outstanding and consecrated presidents, has deeply blessed the young missionary they elected.

At the time of this Centennial in 1954, and after 46 years of church fellowship and personal friendships, this missionary hereby offers her tribute of love and appreciation to Mrs. H. H. Hale (now Mrs. John W. W. Simmons), to the Executive Board of 1908, and to each and all who have helped to make her a better worker for Jesus, and for China.

—F. CATHARINE BRYAN



Rev. and Mrs. Marvin L. Garrett



Miss Bryan



# *History of*

## *The Business Women's League*

### *of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

1913 - 1954

THE HISTORY of the League is not a story of facts so much as a story of heart and effort, combined to broaden and satisfy the spiritual interests of the business women of the church.

The League was born in the heart of Dr. John E. White, Pastor of Second Baptist Church, in 1913. He found in Martha Hazeltine Paxon and her husband, Col. Frederic J. Paxon, enthusiastic support and leadership. On October 1, 1913, the Business Women's League of Second Baptist Church was organized, with eighty members enrolled. Mrs. Paxon was leader from that date until her death on June 28, 1934.

The accomplishments of the League have been many and far-reaching. Our Business Women's League was the first of its kind and from it have been organized hundreds of Business Women's Leagues, in churches of all denominations, using Mrs. Paxon's plan of organization which is to group the membership under Circle leaders. Three of the original Chairmen are still active: Miss V. Elizabeth Taylor, Miss Mary Ella Yancey and Mrs. W. A. Dedmon. Since the organization of the League, which is Circle 14 of the Woman's Missionary Society of Second-Ponce de Leon Church, our Presidents have been as follows:

Mrs. Frederic J. Paxon.....	1913-1934
Miss V. Elizabeth Taylor.....	1934-1944
Mrs. Cora Alexander Seneca.....	1944-1945
Mrs. W. S. Haralson.....	1945-1948
Miss Willie Mae Ivey.....	1948-1954

The major accomplishment, under able leadership, has been the providing of an endowment at Georgia Baptist Hospital, amounting to \$10,000.00, called the Martha Paxon Fund, in loving memory of Mrs. Paxon. Endowment interest has made possible available hospital beds for those of the League who need them, without cost. This service has been available to business women, wherever the need, insofar as possible, so that over the years we have extended assistance to hundreds of business women.

During the life of the League, more than \$200,000.00 has been contributed to church support, Missions and charity.

Present Trustees of the Martha Paxon Fund are Miss Willie Mae Ivey, Mrs. Pearle A. Paxon, Mrs. Earle Carter Smith, Miss V. Elizabeth Taylor and Miss Mary Ella Yancey. The late Mrs. Mattie Ellis Cooper was named the first Chairman of the Trustees.

Present officers are: Miss Willie Mae Ivey, President; Mrs. W. S. Haralson, Vice-President; Mrs. Kate B. Oliver, Recording Secretary; Mrs. A. W. Kroeber, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Amy Mitchell, Treasurer.





AH, RIDGECREST AND COWETA!





# TRAINING UNION

## *Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

From the infancy of Southern Baptist Training Union history when it began as the B.Y.P.U. until the present, the forefathers and members of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church have been actively engaged in the promotion of this training ministry.

The Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Dr. Henry McDonald, presented a resolution to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Nashville, Tennessee in May, 1893, asking that a committee be appointed to report on the best methods for the development of the young people of our churches. He served on that committee which brought a report recommending that wherever in the judgment of the local church a society especially for the training of its young people would be helpful and expedient that such societies be constituted as are strictly Baptist and denominational and be under the sole authority of the local church without interdenominational affiliation. Also in this report the Sunday School Board was requested to provide the suitable literature. This resolution and report put the stamp of approval of the Southern Baptist Convention on the B.Y.P.U. The B.Y.P.U. of the south, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, was organized in Atlanta in 1895. Thus the Second Baptist Church through its pastor played a major role in the first beginnings of the Training Union, and its forerunner the Baptist Young People's Union.

The minutes of the 1902 session of the Georgia Baptist Convention reveal that the leadership of the Second Baptist Church continued in the forefront of B.Y.P.U. progress. M. L. Brittain presented the report to the convention on young people's work and among other things stated, "B.Y.P.U. exists only by the consent of the church and asks as an inherent right for advice and counsel and help from parents and pastors." In Georgia it came into existence through action of the state convention in Waycross on April 11, 1895. So in Georgia as in the south a rich heritage of Training Union pioneering has been given to this church.

Throughout the development of B.Y.P.U. into the present Training Union organization our forbears moved forward. The original B.Y.P.U. was for young people seventeen years of age and above. Then came the Junior B.Y.P.U. for ages 13-16 inclusive in 1908. The next step was in 1922 when the unions were graded into junior (ages 9-12), intermediate (ages 13-16) and senior (ages 17 and above). This last graded organization was used in both the Second Baptist B.Y.P.U. and the Ponce de Leon Baptist B.Y.P.U. The juniors often met in the afternoon with the other unions meeting just before the Evening Worship Service each Sunday.

When the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church was formed through the merger, in 1932, a Baptist Adult Union was organized to meet at the same hour the other unions met. Clarence Sessions was the first B.Y.P.U. Director of this church. An attendance of 121 was reported in January of 1933 with the average attendance of 87 in 1933. During this year Mr. Ike Cheves, who later became a minister, represented Second-Ponce de Leon in the B.Y.P.U. Better Speakers Contest. New Junior, Intermediate, and Adult Unions were added in October 1933, reflecting the growth of the B.Y.P.U. Grady Lee was elected B.Y.P.U. Director and Alton T. Milam, Associate Director, in October 1933. The leadership of the church continued in the example set by their forbears by taking a prominent place in associational and statewide activities. Several members served as president of the Georgia B.Y.P.U. encampment and as president of the Atlanta B.Y.P.U. Association.

Throughout the years, this church has always cooperated in district, associational, state, and southwide Training Union activities. Alton T. Milam became B.Y.P.U. Director in 1934.

In January 1935, the terminology of the B.Y.P.U. was changed because with the expanding program all ages were included from infants to adults. The name B.Y.P.U. was changed to Baptist Training Union. For a period of time the abbreviation of B.T.U. was used, but that was

discarded and the name Training Union became the official title.

George A. LaFitte was elected to be the director in 1935 and thus in our church was the first to be called by the title of Training Union Director. He served until 1938. The Training Union Directors since then until the present are:

1938 .....	William C. Key
1945 .....	Jack Markert
1948 .....	George Williamson
1949 .....	Julian Harrison, Jr.
1951 .....	Jack Markert

(Present Training Union Director.)

The Training Union enrollment in June, 1954, reached a total of 551. The average attendance from October 1, 1953, until June 1, 1954, was 280. In addition, the newly formed Training Union of the Wieuca Road Baptist Church averaged 98 between its organization in May, 1954, and June 1, 1954.

A brief word concerning the purpose and activities of the Training Union seems to be in order. The aim of the Training Union is, "Training in Church Membership." It is designed to help every church member grow in knowledge

of the Bible, of doctrines of the church, of missionary activities; to develop practical skills in spiritual activities; to develop in Christian social life; and to develop a loyalty to Christ and the church. It is an organization where members learn by doing. Materials for the weekly meeting are furnished in graded quarterlies to meet the needs of every age group; a daily Bible Readers Course is planned on a 5 year program of reading the Bible through by books in two years; by topics in two years and reading the new Testament in one year. Study courses in book form are also promoted through the Training Union activities. Activities such as assemblies, retreats, youth weeks and others too numerous to mention also provide training opportunities for all.

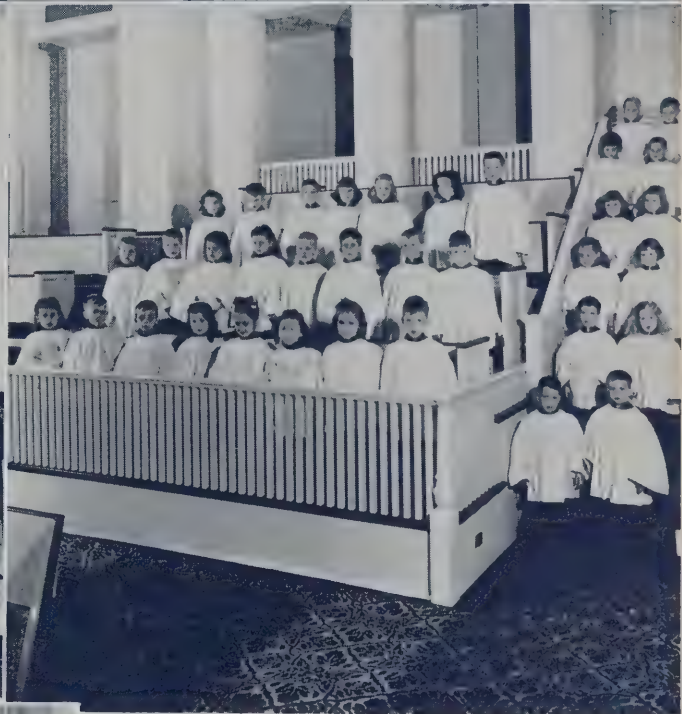
The Second-Ponce de Leon Training Union is divided into eleven departments:

Nursery Department,	Junior 1-2, ages 9-10
ages birth-3	Junior 3-4, ages 11-12
Beginner, ages 4-5	Intermediate, ages 13-16
Primary 1, age 6	Young People, ages 17-24
Primary 2, age 7	Adult 1, ages 25-39
Primary 3, age 8	Adult 2, ages 40-up

The leadership is composed of the following:

<i>General Officers</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>Mr. Richard Hurd, Sr.</i>
Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.	Mrs. Oliver C. Wilbanks	Mrs. Brooks Pearson
Mr. Charles H. Allen	Mr. Sam L. North	Mrs. Rubye Hembree
Mr. Oliver C. Wilbanks	Mrs. Garvis Green	Miss Hilda Parker
Mr. Jack Markert	Mrs. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr.	Mrs. Robert L. Boyd, Jr.
Miss Barbara Acree	Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howell	Miss Emma Burnett
Miss Sara Evans	Mr. and Mrs. Jack Faulkner	Mrs. E. Clem Powers
Mrs. Oscar W. Waggoner	Mr. James Burnett	
Mr. Oscar W. Waggoner	Mr. and Mrs. James Malone	<i>Primary 3</i>
Dr. Wyatt C. Whitley	Mr. George Williamson	Mrs. Bernice L. MacArthur
	Mr. Ross Arnold	
	Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Graham	<i>Primary 2</i>
<i>Adult 2</i>		Mrs. Charles H. Allen
Mr. T. W. Clift		Mrs. Anita Christensen
Mr. E. B. Mercer		
	<i>Junior 3-4</i>	<i>Primary 1</i>
<i>Adult 1</i>	Mr. and Mrs. Herrin Austin	Mrs. Edwin H. Friend
Dr. James A. Stanfield	Mrs. John E. Nelson	Mrs. Harold Gunby
Mr. Howard Clark	Mrs. Dorothy Crowson	
Mr. Cuyler M. Gunn	Mr. Eugene G. Acree	<i>Beginner</i>
	Mr. Henry T. Collinsworth, Jr.	Mrs. W. R. Gilbert
	Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Chandler	Mrs. Jack Markert
	Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson	Mrs. William J. Beres
<i>Young People</i>		
Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Letton	<i>Junior 1-2</i>	<i>Nursery</i>
Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Cason	Mrs. Earl T. Byers	Mrs. Robert F. Bryan
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brady	Miss Jane Adair Bedell	Mrs. T. M. McClellan





*Choir Groups*



# MUSIC DEPARTMENT

There is a tradition that one of the motives behind the organization of the Second Baptist Church was the fact that some of the members of the First Baptist Church objected to having an organ in the church and those members who favored the purchase of an organ, finding themselves in the minority, conceived the idea of having another church where they could use an instrument in the church services. There is no basis of fact in the record to support this tradition. However, it is an interesting commentary on the religious thinking of that time.

S. P. Richards, who joined the Second Baptist

Church October 30, 1861, and who served as Church Clerk from March 6, 1869, until December 6, 1905, kept a diary which is replete with comments on the early activities of the church, particularly in the realm of the church music. According to Mr. Richards' diary, the choir in those days was a purely voluntary group, under the direction of Mr. Sidney Root, and held practice sessions weekly at the home of some member of the choir. Occasionally there is an entry recording the fact that, in the absence of Mr. Root, the duty of directing the choir fell to the lot of Mr. Richards. During the summer of





1862, the church choir decided to give a public concert for the purpose of raising funds for the benefit of the families of soldiers in the army. He recorded the choir as being composed of Mrs. West and Mrs. Holbrook, sopranos; Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Richards, altos; Mr. Root and Mr. Craig, tenors; Mr. Birth and Mr. Richards, bass. Although the weather was bad on the night of the concert, about seventy-five attended and the proceeds amounted to \$25.00.

After several years, Mr. Root resigned as director and was succeeded by Mr. Richards, with Mrs. Richards as organist. In 1870 the church sanctuary was renovated and a pipe organ purchased. It then became necessary to employ a trained organist. In the Minutes of the Church Conference of January 4, 1875, there is a notation indicating that the organist, Brother Guilford, was paid the sum of \$324.00 for his services in 1874. In 1875 his salary was \$400.00 for the year and he was given the additional duty of directing the choir.

At the regular conference held February 9, 1877, the church authorized the purchase of an electric motor to pump the organ, this duty having previously been done by the church sexton. When the new church edifice was built in 1892, the old organ was installed therein and continued in service until the present organ was installed in 1921.

In January, 1871, the church formally set up the Department of Music as an integral part of the church organization. To this committee was assigned the duty of fostering and building up a program of church music in keeping with the dignity of the church services. The best talent available was secured and a policy of making the music program a vital part of the church service insured the success of the plan.

At the regular church conference, held February 21, 1921, the church authorized the taking of subscriptions for the purpose of buying a new organ. The following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, music is the great handmaiden of the pulpit in attracting the people and in fostering the spirit of worship; and whereas our organ is completely worn out and unfit for further service,

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, First, that in view of the fact that our services are crippled by the lack of an organ, it is unwise to further postpone buying a new one.

"Second, that the Music Committee be authorized and have full power, after careful

investigation, to place an order for an organ that, in their judgment, will be adapted to our present and future needs, and be within the scope of our resources.

"Third, that pledges shall be taken at such time as the Music Committee and the Pastor shall agree upon, to cover the cost of the organ, it being understood that a period of eighteen months after the installation of the organ will be allowed for final payments on such subscriptions."

During the month of May, 1921, subscriptions having been received from the members to cover the anticipated cost, an order was placed for the organ. Rearranging of the Sanctuary to provide space for the organ was begun. Installation was completed and Dedication Services were held Sunday, February 5, 1922, with Mr. George Lee Hamrick as organist and director. The following information on the organ, prepared by Mr. Hamrick on the occasion of the dedication services is still of interest today:

"Our organ was built by the Austin Organ Company of Hartford, Connecticut. Six months was required for its construction and a solid carload for its transport from the factory. Four trained mechanics have labored six weeks in the final erection, besides numerous local carpenters, tinnerns, and electricians. Fully nine-tenths of the work is done by hand.

"It represents every modern improvement known to the art and science of organ building. The mechanism is entirely electrically operated. The console, or keyboard, is detached and movable and is connected to the instrument by miles of wiring, laid in insulated cables. The electric contacts are made of silver. Iron, steel, brass, aluminum, tin, zinc and copper are all made use of, besides quantities of the best sun-cured sugar pine.

"There are 1,630 pipes, only a few of which are visible. They are made of wood, zinc, tin and cast metal. In size they vary. The longest is 17 feet, the largest about two feet square, and the smallest half the size of a pencil. The pipes were made and especially voiced for this building. They are enclosed in three expression chambers, operated singly or together. A five-horse-power motor supplies the wind and low-powered generator the current for the electric action. The pipes are controlled through three manual and one pedal clavierns, or keyboards (the echo section playable from two of these manuals) each of which is an organ within itself, making five complete and

separate divisions of the organ: Great, Swell, Choir, Pedal and Echo Organs. Thirty stops control the pipes in groups. These are made instantly changeable through the use of forty-four pistons and pedals, the organist literally having control of the entire instrument at his fingertips. The chimes, twenty in number, are chromatic and are located in the tower with the echo section, as is also the Vox Humana, or human voice pipes.

"In addition to pure diapason, or organ tones, and the massive, rich deep pedal, such as are only found in the organ, our instrument is also a concert organ and contains considerable orchestral character. The massed strings: Violin, Viola, Cello and Bass; the woodwinds, Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet and Bassoon; the brass Horn, Trumpet, Trombone and Tuba—what we find in the orchestra, we have represented in the tonal make-up of our organ, all minutely under the control of one performer."

After the Sanctuary was completed on Peachtree Road, the organ was moved and installed in its present location, being adjusted to the acoustics of the building. Mrs. Arthur Kelley Evans made a special donation to the church of \$4,000.00 to cover the expense of the transfer of the organ and the addition of several stops.

With the organization of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Church, a program of church music in keeping with the times was instituted and as the church grew, the importance of music in the church service was given its proper place in the development of the church. The reports of the Music Committee that are available show progress, from year to year.

When the Ponce de Leon Avenue Church building was sold, all the furnishings, including the organ, were a part of the sale. When the congregation started worshiping in the new building, as there was no organ, it was necessary to readjust the musical program of the church to the facilities available. Under the leadership

of Mrs. Charles Chalmers, a double quartet was organized, with the piano, violin and cello as accompanying instruments. This organization continued to function after the merger of the churches and is the central factor in our musical program today.

With the coming of Dr. Swilley as Pastor, in 1945, the church began to give some thought to an expanded musical program. A committee was appointed to study the question and as a result of this study, on April 9, 1947, the Church Conference adopted the Westminster Plan for a graded musical program and authorized the employment of a Minister of Music, with Mrs. Chalmers continuing as organist and director of the Sunday morning music. Following this action, on June 4, 1947, Mahlon B. Mercer was employed as Minister of Music, effective July 1, 1947. Mr. Mercer continued in this capacity until his untimely death in the fall of 1949. Under Mr. Mercer's direction there were organized the Cherub Choir, for tiny tots under the age of six years; the Carol Choir, for children from the age of six to nine; the Crusader Choir, for ages ten to thirteen, and the Chapel Choir, for teen-agers. The Chorus Choir which had been organized several years before by Mrs. Chalmers, supplying the music for the evening services, became known as the Chancel Choir. Since Mr. Mercer's death, the work of training and directing these groups has been carried on, in a modified form, by Mrs. Charles Chalmers and Mrs. John E. Nelson.

The church feels that its music is an important phase of its worship services.

#### ORGANISTS

##### SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH, FROM ABOUT 1921

George Lee Hamrick	Mrs. Stephen Banta
James Scheirer	Mrs. W. H. Nelms
Hugh Hodgson	C. W. Dieckmann

##### PONCE DE LEON AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Clementine McGregor	
W. W. Stanley	C. W. Dieckmann





## *Church Activities*

Picnic Scene



Fellowship and Food



Christmas Cheer



Thanksgiving for Others

# CHURCH ORGANIZATION

## MEMBERS

An applicant for membership may be received by the church at any regular service of the church.

*Duties:* It shall be the duty of the members of the church to attend its regular meetings appointed by its authority; to cultivate personal uprightness and family devotion; to sustain the public worship of Almighty God and the ordinances of the church; to contribute to the necessary expenditures of the church, to the relief of the poor and to the spread of the gospel to all nations. To watch over each other in a spirit of brotherly love; to strive for the growth of the whole body in Christian knowledge and holiness, and to govern their actions, conversation, and hearts by the precepts of God's Word.

It is the duty of any member of this church, removing from Atlanta and not expecting to return within a reasonable time to request a letter to some other Baptist church more convenient to him.

*Rights:* All members shall have an equal suffrage in the decision of all questions, whether secular or religious, and a perfect equality of each, one with all the rest, in all the advantages of the church whether temporal or spiritual.

*Discipline:* If any member shall hold and disseminate views of doctrine considered by the church unscriptural and hurtful to the cause of Christ and his Church, or shall be the cause of strife and division, and if after proper labor to reclaim him, he shall persist in the harmful practice, it shall be considered a disciplinary offense. Any member absenting himself from the church one year or more without communicating with the church, or any member of the church habitually refusing to contribute, when able, to the support of the church, or showing himself lacking interest in, and kindly feeling for the church, shall be regarded as offending against the covenant, and shall be liable to the discipline of the church. Any member of this church may be excluded from its membership by a vote of three-fourths of those members present at any regular quarterly conference, provided that written notice has been given to such member thirty

days before such conference is held, of the intention of the church to do so.

*Dismission:* Any member may secure a letter of dismission from this church, upon application, such application to be presented to a regular or special conference, by the board of deacons of the church.

## OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

*Pastor:* The Pastor is called by the church for an indefinite period and is at liberty to resign from the care of the church at will on giving ninety days notice of such intention; and the church has the right to dispense with his services on giving similar notice. The ninety days' notice may be dispensed with by mutual consent of the pastor and the church. The Pastor shall receive such compensation for his services at the church may determine.

*Deacons:* The Board of Deacons consists of thirty-six members, twelve of which are elected each year for three year terms, or until their successors are elected and ordained. No deacon is eligible for re-election until one year after the expiration of his preceding term. In the event of a vacancy on the board, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, the church may, upon recommendation of the Board of Deacons, fill such vacancy at any church conference, in the same manner as regular elections for members of the board are held.

*Life Deacons:* The church may at any time elect Life Deacons who shall be nominated to the church by the Board of Deacons for long and distinguished service in the cause of Christ. There may not be more than ten Life Deacons serving at one time.

*Church Clerk:* The church clerk is charged with the duty of keeping a correct record of the proceedings of the church in meetings for business, to keep a register of the names of the members of the church, to sign all letters of dismission, to be custodian of all records and papers belonging to the church, and, to submit to the business meetings of the church, quarterly, a statement of the gains and losses of the church.

*Treasurer:* The treasurer is charged with the



duty of receiving all funds of the church, and of paying all authorized warrants drawn against such funds. He is required to keep accounts of all monies received and disbursed, and to render quarterly to the church a statement of all receipts and disbursements.

*Election of Officers:* The annual election of all officers of the church, except the Pastor, are held at the church conference on the second Sunday in July of each year. Officers thus elected assume their respective offices on October 1st thereafter. At the June meeting of the Board of Deacons, its chairman is required to name a nominating committee, one member of which shall not be a member of said Board, to make nominations of church officers to the church at its July conference. Any member has the privilege of making suggestions to this committee, and any member has the right to make nominations from the floor, at the time of the election.

*Organizations and Departments:* The Superintendent of the Sunday School is the officer of the church charged with the general management of the Sunday School in all its departments, with the recruiting and training of officers and teachers for the school. He is required to submit to the church annually at the October conference a full written report of the work of the school for the preceding year.

*Director of Training Union:* The Director of the Training Union is the officer of the church charged with the general operation of the Training Union. His duties and responsibilities are as outlined in Baptist Training Union Manuals adopted and published by the Southern Baptist Convention.

*The President of The Woman's Missionary Union* is the officer of the church charged with the responsibility of the carrying on of the WMU work in the church as outlined in the Year Book of the WMU of the Southern Baptist Convention.

*The Chairman of Men's Fellowship* is appointed by the chairman of the Board of Deacons, with the advice of the Pastor. He is charged with the responsibility of enlisting the men of the church in active participation in its program, particularly in finance and a promotion of a general feeling of brotherhood among its membership.

*Advisory Council:* This organization consists of thirty-three young men between the ages of 21 and 40, 11 of whom are elected each year for three year terms: Members are nominated by the Council to the Board of Deacons, who in turn

recommend them to the church for election. The Council elects its own officers. The Council is charged with the duty of promoting the Sunday Evening Services, the Baptist Training Union, and Sunday School, Boy Scouts and other groups as designated by the church.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

All standing committees are appointed by chairman of the Board of Deacons, with the advice of the Pastor. Each committee meets monthly and provides the Board of Deacons with a report of their activities. The Pastor and the chairman of the Board of Deacons are ex-officio members of all committees.

*Activities:* Formulating plans concerning the present and needed programs of the church are the responsibility of this committee.

*Baptism:* This committee looks after all candidates for baptism and furnishes any services that they may require.

*Budget:* This committee receives suggestions and requests from all officers and departments of the church with respect to their requirements of finances, and within the resources of the church, recommends to the Finance Committee and the Board of Deacons, a financial program for the church for the ensuing year.

*Building:* The Building Committee is charged with the responsibility of providing the necessary facilities for the expansion and functioning of the church program whether it be in inaugurating new plans for additional buildings, or remodeling of existing facilities.

*Christian Council:* This committee attends the meetings of the Atlanta Christian Council, and represents this church at these meetings. Reports of the activities of the Council are made to the Board of Deacons.

*Church Night:* This committee has full authority and responsibility in making the Wednesday Night meetings a success.

*Church Property:* Has general supervision of the care and maintenance of the physical properties of the church, maintaining a general inventory of what is available. It makes recommendations concerning the needs in the way of physical facilities and the best use of those existing.

*Church Roll:* This committee reviews the church roll periodically, and makes recommendations for transferring the names of members who can no longer be located, to the suspense rolls of the church.

*Evangelism:* This committee promotes the work

of evangelism in all the organizations of the church, and is charged with the responsibility of planning for, and promoting the evangelistic effort of the church.

*Every-Member Canvass:* Works closely with the Finance Committee in conducting the annual Every-Member Canvass.

*Finance:* Charged with the responsibility of financing the activities and causes fostered by the church.

*Flower Arrangement:* Provides floral arrangements for the Sanctuary each Sunday.

*Library committee* directs and carries out the program of the church library.

*Lord's Supper:* This committee is responsible for the preparation and serving of the Lord's Supper.

*Missions:* The missions committee is responsible for the educating and enlisting our membership in the missionary and benevolent work of the church. In co-operation with the finance committee they direct the expenditure of the mission budget of the church.

*Music:* The music committee is charged with the responsibility of directing the music program of the church.

*Neighborhood:* This committee seeks to become acquainted with the membership of the church by neighborhoods, discover their abilities and desire for service in the church, and to gain their active participation in some phase of the work of the church.

*New Members:* This committee meets with all

new members immediately upon their admission to the church, giving them a cordial welcome, advising them as to our program, and suggesting to them how they may best participate in the various organizations of our church. It seeks to assist every new member to make the proper adjustment in his new church home.

*Nursery:* This committee directs the ministry of the church nursery.

*Prospective Members:* This committee seeks out unaffiliated Baptists who live in our community and attempts to lead them to transfer their membership to this church.

*Publicity:* To keep the activities of the church before the people through the medium of the press and other means which the committee may deem desirable, is the aim of the Publicity Committee.

*Public Worship:* This committee is responsible for arranging for pulpit supply whenever the Pastor is absent.

*Radio-Television:* This committee serves as agent between the radio-television stations and the church.

*Recreation:* This committee is composed of representatives from the various organizations of the church, and seeks to plan and co-ordinate recreational activities in line with our needs.

*Relief:* This committee is responsible for investigating cases of need and providing urgently necessary help for such need.

*Scouts:* The duty of this committee is the promotion of all scout work under the auspices



Food and Clothing for Koreans  
J. Frank Fair, Chairman



of the church. It has the obligation of providing leaders and facilities for the entire scout program, including Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Camp Fire Girls.

*Service Personnel:* This committee represents the church in keeping in touch with men and women who have entered the armed services of our country, and in enlisting them in the program of the church upon their return to civil life.

*Stewardship:* This committee promotes Christian stewardship and cooperates with the Finance Committee in underwriting the annual church budget.

*Ushers:* This committee is responsible for the seating of the people in the Sanctuary services of the church.

*Vacation Bible School:* This committee formulates general over-all policy and planning for the annual Vacation Bible School, selects the principal and department superintendents, assist them in securing a faculty and reviews the accomplishments of the school.

*Visual Aids* committee directs and carries out the visual aids program of the church.

*Weddings:* This committee is responsible for the policies of the church regarding weddings and receptions held in the church. Members of the committee are assigned to each such occasion, and act as the church's representatives to assist the wedding party in every way possible.

*Welcome:* This committee cordially greets visitors and members of the church as they enter the Sanctuary for the services.

*Church Cabinet:* The Church Cabinet is an organization within the church made up of the Pastor, the chairman of the Board of Deacons, the president of the WMU, the chairman of the Advisory Council, the Superintendent of the Sunday School, the Director of the Training Union, the church hostess, and the office personnel. Regular meetings of the Cabinet are held quarterly, upon the call of the pastor. At these meetings the schedule of the calendar of church activities is made and approved. This is done in order to avoid conflict in dates. Special meetings may be held upon call of the pastor as the needs of the church may dictate.

*Church Conferences:* The by-laws of the church call for quarterly conferences on the second Wednesday night in January, March, July and an annual Conference on the Second Wednesday night in October, except that the July conference may be held after the regular morning services on the second Sunday in July, provided that notice of such meeting is given the previous

Sunday. A special conference may be called by the Pastor or Board of Deacons whenever the business of the church seems to demand it, provided announcement of such meeting is made at the previous regular Sunday morning service. The presence of fifty members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but a less number may adjourn to another day. Ordinarily the Pastor acts as moderator, but at his request or in his absence, the chairman of the Board of Deacons or any other member may serve as moderator.

*Raising The Budget:* The budget committee receives from all departments of the church an estimate of their financial requirements for the coming year, or in the absence of such estimates, bases expenditures on what has been required in past years. It has long been the policy of the church to match its current expense budget with a like amount for the mission causes sponsored by the denomination. For 1954 the church has committed itself to give to missions an amount equal to the current expense budget plus the building budget.

After the budget committee has determined the amounts necessary for current expense, and building requirements, these figures are submitted to the missions committee for recommendations as to their requirements for the missionary program of the church. After receiving the advice of the missions committee, the budget committee brings the completed budget before the Board of Deacons, who after any adjustments deemed necessary, present the budget and recommend its adoption by the church.

Before final adoption of the budget is made an Every-Member Canvass is made to secure pledges to underwrite it. This campaign usually begins in November on a Sunday designated as Loyalty Day and is completed before the annual conference held the second Wednesday night in January, when final consideration of the annual budget is considered and adopted by the church.

#### EXPENDING THE BUDGET

*Current Expense Budget:* The salaries of the Pastor, Assistant Pastor, and Educational Director and all allowances for them are fixed annually by the church. Salaries of other church employees are fixed by the Finance Committee, and may be varied by this committee, from time to time within the limitations of the church budget. All other items in the current expense budget are expended by the Finance Committee under the limitations set up in the budget.

*Building Budget:* The Building Committee is

usually given authority to expend the principal amounts of this budget whether it be for new construction, remodeling or repairing existing facilities, or in the purchase of equipment and furnishings, as original installations or as replacements.

*Mission Budget:* Expenditure of the mission budget is under the direction of the missions committee, subject to the limits fixed by the church. This committee as a rule authorizes its chairman, with the advice of the Pastor to make expenditures up to fixed amounts as the need of the causes set up in the budget may require.

*Fiscal Year:* The fiscal year of the church runs from January 1st to December 31st in accord with the calendar year. The associational or church year runs from October 1st to September 30th and reports are made to the association on the basis of the associational year.

*Bank Depositories* are designated by the Board of Deacons from time to time as the needs of the church may require. All funds received by the

church are required to be deposited in the bank or banks designated as a depository to the credit of the church, and can be paid out only on proper authority.

The church in conference October 18, 1950 approved a resolution providing that any two of the following were authorized to sign checks drawn against funds of the church on deposit with the authorized depository:

1. Chairman of the Board of Deacons.
2. Chairman of Finance Committee.
3. Church Treasurer.
4. Financial Secretary.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee makes a monthly report of the financial status of the church, to the Board of Deacons, and a quarterly report to the church. Insofar as is feasible, not more than 1/12 of the budget is expended each month; however, final decision as to time of expenditures rests with the committee responsible for its expenditure.





# CHURCH FINANCES

November 10, 1953

My dear Friends:

The Budget and Finance Committees and the Deacons have adopted the most significant and far-reaching financial program for 1954 that our church has ever attempted. It is an act of faith, but one that lies within the realm of possibility. Jesus entrusted the task of winning a pagan world to twelve men. Before the crusade got started one man backed down and turned away. What were these eleven men against such obstacles? There was little these men could do in their own strength. When we add to these intrepid and heroic men the power of God, we have a different picture. They went out and, under Divine guidance, achieved results that still amaze and inspire every devout heart.

Our program calls for \$118,303 to meet the expenses for operating our church. We need \$97,623 for an installment on our debt, interest payment, and additional renovation in our sanctuary building. This makes a total of \$215,926. Now we come to the most thrilling aspect of this plan. We propose to match this \$215,926 with an equal amount for missions. This means a fifty/fifty division of funds. For the past five or six years our emphasis has been on new buildings and equipment. It is my conviction that the time has come for us to look beyond ourselves to the pressing needs of our world mission task.

1954 is our Centennial Year. In what greater way could we crown this century of service, and glorify our Lord, than by doing something beautifully appropriate toward taking the Gospel to the whole world. I believe God will give us victory in this noble undertaking. Such a task will require not only the dedication of our tithes and offerings, but also of ourselves to God. I am asking every member to pray about this matter before signing your pledge card. Then, in the spirit of the impulse which God places in your heart, make your pledge. May God bless you with a wonderful spiritual experience.

Sunday, November 15, is Loyalty Day. Please bring your pledge card to church on that day and place it, along with yourself, on the altar for the glory of our Lord.

Your Pastor,

MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR.

## *Budget for 1954*

I. Missions and Benevolences..... \$215,926.00

(Co-operative Program, Foreign Missions and support of a foreign missionary, Seminaries and Colleges, Home and State Missions, Georgia Baptist Hospital, Georgia Baptist Children's Home, the Atlanta Association, Community Missions, local relief and benevolences, and the American Bible Society.)

II. Current Support and Building Fund..... \$215,926.00

PASTORAL MINISTRY:

(Pastor's salary, pastorium maintenance, Pastor's expense, special services, minister's retirement fund, pulpit supply, Assistant to the Pastor's salary and expense)..... \$22,520.00

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

(Sunday School, Training Union, Nursery, Scouts, Vacation Bible School, Educational Director, Visual Education, Fellowship, Library, Recreation)..... \$14,838.00

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(Director of Music, Assistant, Choir salaries, special music, materials and supplies, supply for the choir director, maintenance of organ, recreational and professional services)..... \$ 8,980.00

ADMINISTRATION OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

(Auditor, printing and stationery, office supplies, telephone and telegraph, postage, convention expense, tax and Social Security, service and repair office machines, contingent, Centennial observance, collection envelopes, W.M.U. local expenses)..... \$11,915.00

SALARIES OF SECRETARIES:

(Church, Records, Financial, Visitation, Educational, and Pastor's)..... \$16,680.00

BUILDING FUND:

(Installment on our debt, \$45,000; Interest, \$11,250; Renovation in Sanctuary Building, \$27,000; Equipment and Contingent, \$14,373.00)..... \$97,623.00

KEEPING MEMBERSHIP INFORMED OF ACTIVITIES:..... \$ 5,000.00  
CARE, CLEANING AND UTILITIES:

(Building Superintendent, Janitors, heat, light, water, lawn, pest control, supplies, flowers and decorations, cooling, repairs and insurance, and Dining Room)..... \$38,370.00

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*Total Unified Budget*.....\$431,852.00



# THE MINISTRY OF BOOKS

## *Church Library*

The Church Library is located on the north side of the third floor of the Chapel Building. It contains 5000 volumes which have been carefully selected so that the library can give practical help in all areas of our church and home life, and has an average circulation of about 400 books per month.

The library was organized in 1946 with a small collection of books. A Library Committee was appointed which began immediately to work with the Library Division of the Sunday School Board in an effort to build a good church library. All work has been done on a voluntary basis, and the library is financially supported by the unified budget.

The purpose of our library is to provide helps and furnish sources of inspiration and enjoyment for our members. The helps include study course and mission study books, lesson commentaries, and program and recreational suggestions. Our books also include fiction for all ages, biography, and a few selected best sellers. Our books are classified by the Abridged Dewey Decimal System, and a card catalog facilitates locating any book on our shelves.

Any member of our church or any of its organizations may borrow books, and any book may be kept out for two weeks. Renewals will be made for an additional two weeks, if desired, and a fine of one cent per day is charged for overdue books.

The Library Committee announces the following hours:

Sunday Morning .....	9:00 - 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening .....	5:45 - 7:30 P.M.
Wednesday Evening .....	6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
	8:00 - 8:15 P.M.
First Monday in each month (W. M. U.) .....	10:00 - 10:30 A.M.
	12:30 - 1:00 P.M.

Books may be dropped through the slot in the library door, or returned to the office at any time the church building is open. Books may be borrowed at the hours listed above or by special arrangement at any time.

# ADMINISTRATION

With a budget of \$431,852.00 and an intensive balanced program which includes activities to meet the needs of every individual, the administration of the affairs of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church can certainly be classified as "big business." It is the Lord's business, Kingdom business, which means that it is the most important business in the world. This administration is conducted by a staff of twenty-three with scores of consecrated volunteer officers and committee members.

The church operates under a unified budget which is prepared each year by a Budget Committee elected by the church. Each organization of the church life is represented on this committee and submits its requests for operating funds to this committee. After careful and prayerful consideration, a proposed budget for the coming year is presented to the deacons. After discussion the deacons recommend the budget to the church for adoption.

A glorious achievement was attained when the church adopted and pledged for 1954 the

largest budget in her history. The most significant fact about this is that fifty percent of the budget was designated for missions and benevolences at home and abroad. For every dollar spent for local church activities another dollar was designated for missions.

The money for the operation of the budget is raised through voluntary contributions. An "Every-Member-Canvass" Committee directs a stewardship campaign beginning in November each year, during which every church member is requested to sign a pledge indicating what he will give during the coming year.

The disbursements of funds according to the adopted budget is handled by the Finance Committee of the church with the Financial Secretary having the specific responsibility for the accounting, financial records, writing checks, etc. Numbered envelopes are used by contributors to facilitate the keeping of accurate, complete records.

Organizational and committee financial needs are handled through the heads of organizations



CHURCH STAFF — 1954

*First row:* Mrs. T. M. McClellan, Nursery Director; Mrs. James A. Dukes, Visitation Secretary; Mrs. Oscar W. Waggoner, Records Secretary; *Second row:* Mrs. S. E. Dellinger, Church Hostess; Miss Jane Carter, Educational Secretary; Miss Olena McCullers, Pastor's Secretary; Miss Bertha Schaid, Church Secretary; *Third row:* Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr., Pastor; Mr. Oliver C. Wilbanks, Educational Director; Mr. Eugene Wright, Building Superintendent; Rev. Charles H. Allen, Assistant to the Pastor; Mrs. Ruth B. Holton, Financial Secretary.



and committee chairmen. They approve requests and turn them in to the Financial Secretary, who prepares the checks and records expenditures against various budget items. All checks must bear two authorized signatures. Expenditure requests not in the budget or in excess of a particular budget item must be approved by the Finance Committee. A contingent fund is included in the budget to absorb such items. If the request is large the Finance Committee would present it to the deacons for their consideration.

Financial reports showing receipts, disbursements, and the status of all funds are made monthly to the deacons. An audit of financial records is made annually by a certified public accountant.

The administration of finances is only a part of the over-all administration of the church affairs. The church today has made great strides in this area of administration. From the days when the pastor had to do his own secretarial work (if any was done), with some help from the church clerk in church matters; through the days of volunteer secretarial help; then one paid church secretary; we have arrived at the place where a competent church staff including six full-time secretaries are needed to adequately handle the administration of our church with its approximately 3600 members.

It is difficult to fully realize the number and

variety of calls, requests, and work handled by the staff in the promotion and administration of all phases of church activities. The division of office work is supervised by the Educational Director and requests for work to be done by secretaries are channeled through his office. In general the secretaries have the following responsibilities:

*Pastor's Secretary*, correspondence for the pastor; maintain the pastor's calendar of engagements; arrange for guests at the pastor's table for Church Night; proof-read the Church News weekly; write the pastor's checks and maintain his journal of finances and ministerial activities; make arrangements for weddings; keep a scrapbook of clippings for pastor's reference in illustrating sermons; maintain a reference file; maintain pastor's personal library; prepare the pulpit each Sunday with hymn books, order of services, and find scripture for the day; and send out notices of the meeting of the Church Cabinet and of the Church Conference.

*Church Secretary*, Receptionist; answer telephone; maintain church calendar; deacons' secretarial work.

*Records' Secretary*, Maintain Church Roll: enter new members, secure church letters, prepare list of Letters to be Granted for Deacons' approval and for vote at Church Conference, then mail letters to requesting churches; W.M.U.:



**Kitchen Harmony**

Eddie Mims, Tommy Bradley, Marvin Britt, and Ridley Lindsey

mimeograph special programs and lists, and send notices of meetings; mail Church News; keep addressograph plates up-to-date with changes of address of the membership and notify all organizations of such changes; serve as member of Library Committee and take Visual Aids Reservations; maintain Student file, Neighborhood file, and Servicemen's file; assist in Every-Member Canvass; supervise voluntary help from Scouts, assist in miscellaneous work of staff; and each Monday write assignments for New-Member Visitation by Deacons.

*Educational Secretary*, Sunday School and Training Union Records; maintain prospect files for Sunday School and Training Union; kardex changes for Sunday School and Training Union; make up annual Organizational Handbook; Educational Director's stenographic work and mimeographing; order Sunday School and Training Union literature and Baptist Book Store materials; mimeographing and typing for classes and unions; weekly Sunday School bulletin and monthly Training Union bulletin; notices and publicity for Training Union and Sunday School, including special studies and emphases; annual Vacation Bible School work; send written invitations for Sunday School and Training Union to all new church members and make prospect cards on them for proper Sunday School class; send quarterly literature to servicemen.

*Visitation Secretary*, maintain prospective members and evangelism files; send welcome cards to visitors who attended Sunday worship services; stenographic work for Assistant to the Pastor; arrange baptismal services; arrange New Members Night services; make up *Church News*; maintain record of sickness, sorrow, and new babies among the membership; neighborhood Visitation file; assist in arranging for Census;

send the pulpit flowers on Monday to our members who are ill and address birthday cards daily.

*Financial Secretary*, mentioned previously.

The program of church activities is correlated through a Church Cabinet which meets quarterly for the purpose of planning a calendar of activities. This cabinet is composed of the pastor, church staff, and representatives from organizations and committees of the church. Thus, many conflicts in dates and activities are audited.

A nursery, under the supervision of a staff nursery worker, is maintained for all general meetings of the church and many of the organizational meetings.

All meals and social activities using the kitchen and social hall are under the direction of the church hostess. She handles the purchasing, preparation and serving of meals, and cares for pantry stock and supplies.

The building superintendent has charge of the cleaning and maintenance of the church property. Six janitors and one yard man are employed for this work. The property committee of the church has the responsibility of supervising the care of the physical properties of the church.

Church administration is vastly different today from what it was when Second Baptist Church was organized in 1854 and when Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist was organized in 1904, or when Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church came into being in 1932. Experience is a worthy teacher and much has been learned through the years. One thing has not changed, however—the message of the church. Methods have changed but the mission of the church will never change. Administration is only a means to the end—that the Kingdom of God may be glorified.







SCENES AT THE  
CENTENNIAL RECEPTION

# CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

The program of the Centennial Year has been observed in four major phases, and has been spaced more or less throughout the year, as follows:

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### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION CELEBRATION

April 28, 1954

Quoting from the announcement in the Church News, April 25, 1954:

"The Church Night Service April 28 will portray the highlights of one hundred years of work of the Woman's Missionary Union in the merged congregations of the Second, Ponce de Leon Avenue and Buckhead Baptist Churches. This outstanding program will present the first formal service in the celebration of our Centennial and Mr. Carlton W. Binns, Chairman of the Centennial Committee, will preside. The program, planned by Mrs. Spann W. Milner, will include introducing the W.M.U. living Presidents and some of the oldest members in the point of service will be special guests.

"Glimpses of W.M.U. work will be brought by Mrs. George Mathieson for the former Buckhead Baptist Church, Mrs. R. L. Turman for the former Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church, and Miss Rosa May King for the former Second Baptist Church. Mrs. Owen McConnell will speak for the organization since the merger of the churches.

"Historical mementoes related to the church and its activities will be displayed in the Church Library by Mrs. Robert F. Bryan. Souvenir programs, planned by Mrs. W. B. Willingham, will be distributed at the services."

### PROGRAM:

Wednesday Evening, April 28, 1954, 6:30 P. M.

<i>Presiding</i> .....	MR. CARLTON W. BINNS, Chairman, Centennial Committee
<i>Prayer</i> .....	MRS. M. L. BRITTAIN
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<i>Presentation of Presidents</i> .....	MRS. ROBERT L. COUSINS
<i>Presentation of Special Guests</i>	
<i>Solo—"The Lord's Prayer"</i> .....	MRS. MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR.
<i>Benediction</i> .....	DR. MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR.



## II

### CENTENNIAL RECEPTION AND CENTENNIAL DAY IN THE CHURCH

Centennial Reception—May 1, 1954

The front page of this Centennial Celebration Edition of the Church News carries your invitation to attend a reception to be held in the Social Hall Saturday, May 1, in honor of the churches that have grown out of the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church and its church antecedents. Special guests will include Dr. J. W. Storer, Dr. and Mrs. Ryland Knight, and the Pastors and their wives of the daughter churches:

Dr. and Mrs. O. Norman Shands, of the West End Baptist Church;  
Dr. and Mrs. W. Lee Cutts, of the Capitol View Baptist Church;  
Dr. and Mrs. Paul S. James, of the Baptist Tabernacle;  
Dr. and Mrs. John F. Mitchell, of the Central Baptist Church;  
The Rev. and Mrs. B. B. Stewart, of the Ponders Avenue Baptist Church;  
The Rev. and Mrs. John B. Ray, Sr., of the Immanuel Baptist Church;  
The Rev. and Mrs. R. L. O'Brien, of the Capitol Avenue Baptist Church,  
and

Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Bell, Interim Pastor of the Oglethorpe Baptist Church.

Centennial Day—May 2, 1954

MORNING WORSHIP, Eleven O'Clock Centennial Sermon by Dr. J. W. Storer, Pastor First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, President, Southern Baptist Convention.

EVENING WORSHIP, Eight O'Clock; Sermon by Dr. Ryland Knight, former Pastor of Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, now living in Apopka, Florida.

## III

THE CENTENNIAL REVIVAL, September 19 to 26, 1954. Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, Third Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri, assisted by Mr. Fred Scholfield, Gainesville, Florida, as song leader.

## IV

### Publication of HISTORY OF SECOND-PONCE de LEON BAPTIST CHURCH December 15, 1954

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# Witness Bearing

by JAMES W. STORER

TEXT: *"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy" (PSALM 107:2).*

It was, I believe, Jack London, in a story about a wonderful dog named White Fang, who said that the only difference between the behavior of men and beasts was that man alone had the capacity to laugh. Of course he was wrong—as everyone knows who has had anything to do with mules.

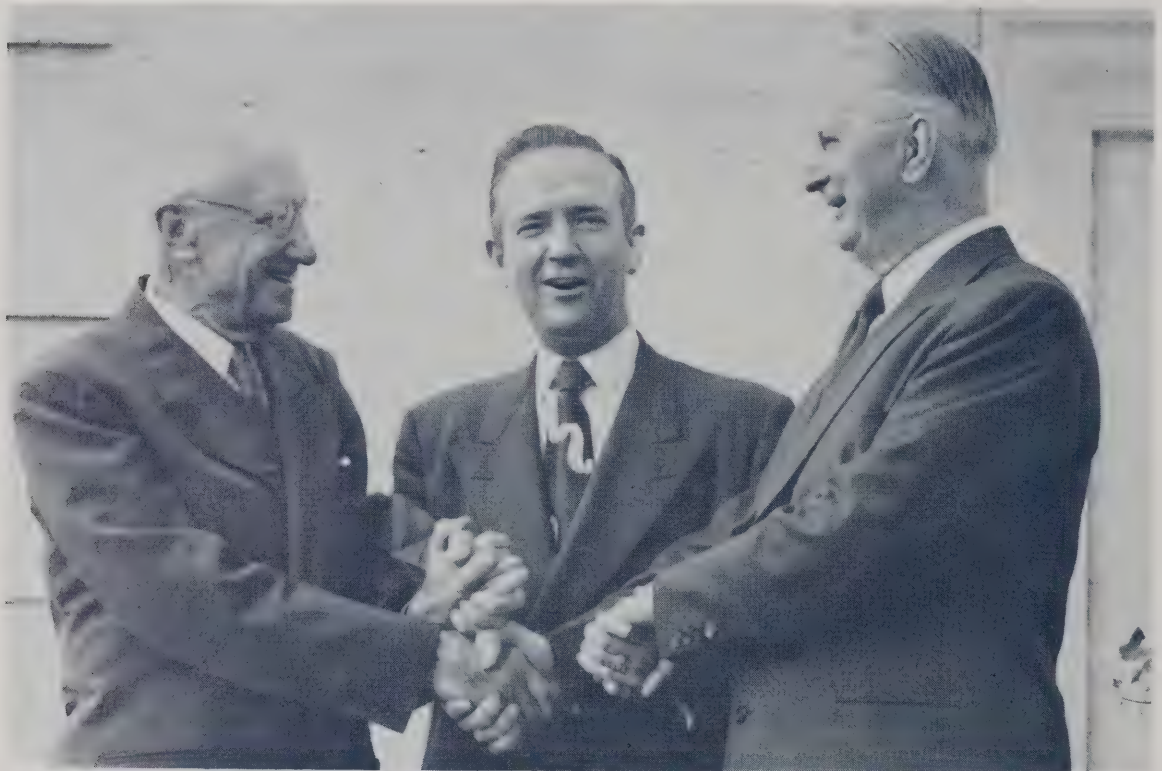
He might have said with much nearer fidelity to truth that man alone has the gift of speech, the power of ordered language. True, the beasts of the field and the birds of the air are able to communicate with each other, but man alone has the high faculty of sustained and various utterance.

Noble as is speech and voice used in utterance both public and private, it is most nobly used when we bear witness to Him of the assertion and public profession of our faith and knowledge of our God.

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!" It has been said that truth can take care of itself—that it needs no defenders. That is true—but human souls are tied to a world that is doomed not to go right.

The greatest force in history has been the power of spoken words which, filled with the timeless might of God, who by His own spoken word in the beginning brought order out of chaos, have changed the tides of time and blocked the encroachment of tyrants. Unless this be a continuing truth, what is human society but a community of more or less industrious creatures, whose god is themselves and whose heaven comes in carload lots C.O.D.?

I would spend no more time in laboring that point, but would speak now as definitely and simply as I may of the witness the redeemed must bear of Him, whose they are, and whom they ought to serve, and for these reasons, among many.



The Three "Big Wheels" of Centennial Day—Dr. Swilley (center), Dr. Knight, Dr. Storer.



### First: FOR OUR OWN SAKE.

(a) To speak thus will lead us to a discovery of ourselves—as to whether we really have a faith, what it is that we are living by. (b) It will test our sense of commitment, which is what makes a man or woman.

By bearing witness, we clear the air of what would otherwise remain hazy and full of challenge; there is little conviction without avowal. As someone has said, the avowal is, with respect to truth, just what air is to flame; in vain should we attempt to keep alive a flame by heaping on fuel, and excluding air. So it is with faith—if we deny it breath, we do but stifle it.

The difference between a tomb and a home is in life and movement, and because we refuse expression, truth dies within us, we are but living sepulchres—once having had dreams and ideals and visions, we have buried them and for their covering they have the cold thick ashes of denied expression.

Read again what Jesus said in Luke 19, the parable of the pounds, and what He said to the napkin brother, “from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he seemeth to have.” This is illustrated beautifully by a verse by Stephen Phillips:

“Then hungry grew her soul; she looked around,  
But nothing to allay that famine found,  
She felt it die a little every day,  
Flutter less wildly and more feebly pray.  
Still it grew; at times she felt it pull  
Imploring thinly something beautiful;  
For not at once, not without any strife  
It died: at times it started back to life.  
Slowly she was aware her soul had died  
Within her body; for no more it cried,  
Vexed her no more, and, now,  
Monotonous, life easily passed,  
She was exempt from strife.”

Feed a capacity for faith, it will grow, neglect it, and it disappears into the insubstantial substance of thin air. As Dr. Buttrick says, “Employ the instinct for prayer (for it is an instinct and is proved only when it is obeyed) and soon the skies will be filled with spiritual hosts: bury the instinct, and soon those self-same skies will be inert as slag!”

“Heaven does with us as we with torches do:  
for if our virtues did not go forth of us, ’twere  
all alike as if we had them not.”

### Second: THE EXPRESSION OF OUR CHRISTIAN CONVICTIONS IS A DUTY WE OWE TO OUR NEIGHBOR.

Many ministers of God have paused in awe

before the unexplainable truth that He has ordained that the Gospel should be imparted to man by the instrumentality of man. Unexplainable, that is, but for the fact of God, Himself.

Conviction must engender conviction; what we have seen and felt, we must have others see and feel. This is the purpose of the early commissions, and the great Commission—“Go, tell.”

“Those who were scattered abroad, went everywhere preaching the Word.” Some, as Philip and Peter and Paul we know—time would fail us to tell of those, the unnamed mighty host, unknown soldiers—unknown but to God, who possessing only the eternal truth and tongues of fire, by the power of the Gospel they proclaimed, toppled thrones and turned the world upside down.

### Third: THE EXPRESSION OF OUR FAITH IS FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.

The very instinct of gratitude is to express itself; it is the duty of every Christian to give testimony to his gratitude—either we live for ourselves, which is atheism, or we live for the glory of God—the old catechism sentence is true, “Man’s chief end is to glorify God.” How He must be hurt by the ingratitude of His children—nor do we Him wrong in subscribing to Him pleasure when His children give expression to their praise for His matchless glory.

To quote John A. Hutton: “When as little children we were sent to fetch something from a dark room, up dark or dim-lit stairs, we had a plan for keeping back our childish terrors. We used to speak to ourselves, or better yet, talk in whispers to our father, though we saw him not. And this helped us to keep hold of ourselves. We are children still, that spend our days on half-lit stairs—looking not at the things that are seen, but at the things which are unseen. If we live our days according to the plan of God we may walk thru whatever valley or whatever shadow, and fear no evil, for He is with us. ‘Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,’ and thus be done with intangible and disabling fears.”

Then we will know the power of these wonderful words of Psalm 126:6 and Daniel 12:3,

“He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again, bearing his sheaves with him, and they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever.”

## *Excerpts From a Sermon by Dr. Ryland Knight*

May 2, 1954

. . . I was asked by the Pastor to tell about the merger of the Second Church with the Buckhead and Ponce de Leon. It was E. Clem Powers who suggested that the merger of these three churches was like the flowing together of three great rivers that came at last into the same bed and flowed side by side, gradually the waters mingling, until after a while it was one river. . . . Of course we expected to find some rocks that the river has learned to leap over and rejoice in as it went on its way.

In 1911 a courageous group of Christians who lived in this vicinity decided that Buckhead needed a church. So they met together and organized the Buckhead Baptist Church to serve the people of the community of Buckhead.

In the late '20s the Ponce de Leon Avenue Baptist Church came to feel that it ought to move from its location on Ponce de Leon Avenue. There were two reasons for this feeling. One was that in 1904, when that church was established, an automobile was a curiosity, but by the time they had been there twenty years, the automobile had become a necessity. People who used to live close to their churches and close to their business enterprises were scattered out into great areas of the residential sections. The other reason was that the First Baptist Church, which, when Ponce de Leon Avenue Church was established, had its building somewhere in the vicinity of the Henry Grady Hotel, had in the '20s erected a superb plant within short walking distance of the Ponce de Leon Avenue Church. So, with foresight and wisdom, the Ponce de Leon Avenue Church decided to move out to the north. They merged with the Buckhead Baptist Church in 1929 and the church thus formed bought this lot at the corner of Peachtree and Wesley.

One Monday morning, shortly after I came to Atlanta from St. Louis to become Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, at the close of the Baptist Ministers' Conference, my beloved friend, Dr. Luther Rice Christie, said to me, "Ryland, I want you take a ride with me. I want to show you something." He showed me this church that had already established itself in this wonderful territory. He suggested that the Ponce de Leon Church and the Second Church should form a merger and that I should be Pastor of the merged church, and that fall a committee was appointed

to iron out its details. It was a committee which proved to have a lot of patience, a lot of common sense, a lot of good humor, and a lot of religion. It took all of these things to get this movement started.

So it came about that on November 18, 1932, at an evening service these two churches were merged. There was a formal vote of union and the committee suggested plans whereby there were selected from the two churches the officers that would be the officers of the new church.

So the plans were made, the churches were merged and the agreement was reached that the assets of each church were to be the assets of the joint church, and the liabilities of each church should be the liabilities of the joint church. The Ponce de Leon Avenue Church edifice, on Ponce de Leon Avenue, had already been sold and the money used in the construction of the building that had been erected here. The other building, that of the Second Baptist Church, the merged church decided to rent to the Central Baptist Church, at a nominal figure. A little later, when they were ready, our church decided to sell it to them for one-half the estimated value, and then to give them part of the money paid us for the church.

So the two churches merged and flowed side by side. I laughed inside (I didn't say anything) but we had Prayer Meeting in one of the smaller rooms, with a middle aisle and seats on each side, and I noticed that all the Second Church people sat on this side and all the Ponce de Leon people sat on that side. Then one Wednesday evening, about six months later, I did say: "We've merged; we've mingled now. I can't tell from where you are sitting which of you belonged to the Second Church and which of you to Ponce de Leon." We had come to have this richer fellowship, which has grown in beauty through the years.

There was another thing that contributed largely to this wonderful fellowship of ours: within two years of the time we had merged, we established Church Night. We launched that enterprise as an experiment. We priced the dinners at thirty cents—"only thirty cents," as was said quite frequently. We were in the days of the depression and when you said a man "looked like thirty cents," he was quite a man. That



wonderful program of fellowship has gone on through these years, enriching the life of this merged church.

It was in the days of the depression—1932, '33 and '34 were tragic days for all of us—but with wonderful courage and glorious faith this church in July, 1934, voted to start the erection of this present Sanctuary. . . . That was an inspiration for this church, this voting to start this building. The Clerk of our church, in his quarterly report some months later, called our attention to the fact that in every quarterly report, from the time the churches merged until they decided to erect the new building, they reported a smaller membership than three months before; but from the time they voted to erect the new building, they reported a larger membership each quarter than we had three months before. . . . The Building Committee showed remarkably good judgment in the selection they made of the architect and contractor for this building. . . . They were a part of our church life and they put into our building not only brick and mortar, but love and enthusiastic devotion.

. . . A little less than a year after we had voted to build, in May, 1935, we had the Ground Breaking for the Sanctuary. . . . The next year, in March, 1936, we had our first service in the unfinished Sanctuary.

. . . The Building Committee stuck to their plan—Pay as You Go. I used to walk the floor sometimes and say, "I don't believe we will ever get through." . . . So we worked and sweated and paid as we went.

This wonderful Building Committee gave infinite attention to the details of this Sanctuary. . . . One of its members went to Providence, Rhode Island, on a summer trip and worshipped in what was the first Baptist church in the United States, established by Roger Williams in the seventeenth century. In the eighteenth century, just about the time of the Revolutionary War, that church erected its present building, a building of somewhat the general design of this building in which we worship. This member of our Building Committee saw hanging in that church a chandelier, built in London, that was brought over to be in that church in Providence, Rhode Island. That was in the days when churches were lighted by candles. . . . We thought it would be a wonderful thing if we could "tie on" to the first Baptist church established in this country by having something that related itself to that church. So we corresponded with the firm in London. The chandelier that is hanging now in our church was built by the same

firm that made the one in Providence. Rhode Island, is an exact duplicate and has the same cups to hold the candles, though this one has always been lighted by electricity. That is one of the details that makes our Sanctuary so attractive.

Three years after the vote we had the first service in our finished structure. We had brought from the Second Baptist Church the bell, the organ, which was rebuilt and added to, and from each of the churches the cornerstone which may be seen in the walk in the front of the church. I had the privilege of standing in this pulpit and preaching the first sermon in this marvelous Sanctuary. In the fall of that year, in October, 1937, Dr. George W. Truett, incomparable leader for Southern Baptists, preached for us our Dedication Sermon. I remember he spoke of our church as "a poem in stone."

I want to pay tribute here to the thoughtful kindness of our fellow Pastor, Louie D. Newton. He had then—I think he still has—every Sunday at nine-fifteen a radio program which was broadcast from the Druid Hills Church. That morning, instead of broadcasting from the Druid Hills Church, he came over and broadcast from our own pulpit. I remember his saying over the radio that day that this church had, in his opinion, the greatest opportunity of any church in the Southern Baptist Convention. At that time, Druid Hills and First Baptist were broadcasting their eleven o'clock services over WGST on alternate Sundays. The Sunday of our dedication Druid Hills Church had its turn to broadcast the service, but, instead of doing so, it transferred it to us here. Through their courtesy, we broadcast our dedication service. Then to crown it, at my request, Louie Newton wrote a wonderful first-page story for the Atlanta Constitution telling the story of our church and its dedication and Dr. Truett's sermon.

Two years later the Baptist World Alliance met here and this church became well known throughout the Southland and throughout the world as one of the most beautiful of all churches, because the people from all over the world came here.

In that same year there was inaugurated in our church the Advisory Council, a group of young men, chosen because of their ability and devotion to the church and their fine character, to help carry on the work of our church. They called themselves "Scrub Deacons". Well, they might have been Deacons, but they weren't "Scrubs". They were splendid men and they

undertook a number of helpful things in connection with our church.

It was about ten years after the churches merged, about five years after the dedication of our church, that this church undertook, with a glorious spirit, to make the amount that it gave to Missions equal the amount spent on its local budget. That became the policy and plan and program of our church. It has been carried on since, until this year when Dr. Swilley, with his great vision and his great missionary spirit, led the church to agree that the amount that you spend for your local budget and your building program should also be matched by the amount that you give for your missionary program. Not only have you given this money, but my heart rejoices as I call to mind the names of the boys and girls, the sons and daughters, who have gone out to be ministers, ministers' wives and full-time workers in the Kingdom of God. What a glorious group they are, the sons and daughters of this church, serving in different places today for Jesus Christ!

In 1945, the first of February, I left this church and as I left, you gave to me many tokens of your generosity and love and appreciation. Mrs. Knight and I shall always carry in our hearts the grateful memories of what you have done for us.

Then, in October of 1945, there came a man sent from God whose name was Monroe Swilley, to be your leader and your Pastor. In the days

since then you have gone marching forward in a splendid way in the Kingdom of God. What an outstanding advance you have made!

So we come to the close of this hundred years of the story of the life of this church and we face a glorious tomorrow. What a wonderful day! A Pastor who is vigorous, a true Christian gentleman, an honored citizen of the community, a leader of our denominational life, a man of whom we are all proud—what a glorious thing it is to have him as Pastor! And laymen! There is no church anywhere which has such a group of laymen, men and women, organized and consecrated and trained, young and old, carrying the load of the church on their shoulders and upon their hearts, going forward in such a wonderful way. A plant unsurpassed anywhere, adequate for all the wonderful needs of this marvelous church. Then a spirit of evangelism, of unity, of Missions, of world horizons, of prayer, of a great program for Jesus Christ! As you face the days that lie ahead, as you begin the second century, I can hear the marching of your feet and the singing of your hearts:

“Lead on, O King Eternal,  
We follow not with fears;  
For gladness breaks like morning  
Where'er Thy face appears;  
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;  
We journey in its light:  
The crown awaits the conquest;  
Lead on, O God of might.”

## *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

by MONROE F. SWILLEY, JR.

TEXT: “*And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward*” (EXODUS 14:15).

The title of this message calls attention to three significant factors involved in the Christian's responsibility to today's world. It also puts into sharp focus the primary objective of our church as we begin a second century of glorious service in the cause of Christ. As Christians we have been assigned an undertaking which cannot be completed until the entire world and every area of life have been brought under the influence of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our Master, Himself, gave these marching orders, and they

have never been rescinded. Under the thrilling impetus of this mandate from our Lord, the frontiers of the Kingdom have been increasingly expanded, and devoted disciples have given their talents, treasure, toil, and blood. The call to spiritual adventure of such magnitude constitutes the supreme challenge of the ages. During the past one hundred years this church has been particularly outstanding because it has never hesitated to move out into the frontiers of Christian thought and action.

The role of the Christian soldier is inescapable because we wage warfare against an enemy whose implacable hatred and terrifying strength threaten the destruction of everything we hold





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dear. Paul, in his Ephesian letter, warns us not to underestimate the intensity of the struggle: "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Ephesians 6:12). To be effective against such a foe we must maintain a stockpile of spiritual weapons which have tremendous fire power. "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand" (Ephesians 6:13).

Like David we cannot fight in the armour of Saul, but rather with weapons forged on the anvil of the Spirit of God. Wars between nations wax and wane, but the Christian is confronted with a cosmic battle which is relentless and unabating. The music of the Kingdom is not the minuet of a flute, but rather the martial blast of a trumpet. When men hear the bugle blow, they march forth into battle.

In his inspiring and reassuring book, "The Unquenchable Light," Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette discusses the ebb and flow of the tides of Christianity across the centuries. The great church historian finds abundant evidence that the periods of advance have always moved farther than the periods of recession. There is only one direction for the Christian movement that is compatible with the essential genius of our faith, and that direction is forward. Napoleon once said, "Conquest has made me what I am, and conquest must maintain me." In a far higher sense this is true of the Christian enterprise. To slow down, to lay waste our powers, to grovel among trifles can bring nothing but defeat and tragedy to the individual or to the church. As we celebrate our Centennial we can learn a great deal from the experience of one of the greatest personalities of all history. When Moses was leading the Children of Israel toward the Promised Land, he faced an hour of great confusion and uncertainty. This magnificent man of God, realizing that the hour called for immediate decision, turned toward God for Divine guidance. The answer which God sent from heaven to Moses and to the Children of Israel is one that comes with clarion tones to our own hearts today: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

A surging revolution is sweeping our world. Old empires, decadent political and economic philosophies, debilitated religions, and discredited social patterns are dying all over the world. They await only a decent burial. This vast moral and spiritual vacuum in the souls of men offers

an opportunity for the Christian gospel that is unparalleled and unprecedented. While we vacillate in our indecisiveness, the Communists and other pagan systems are making gigantic preparations to occupy every inch of the territory. When confronted with the great commission of Jesus to "go into all the world," there are timid souls who reply, "The task is too great and our resources are too small." I would remind you, however, that within the last four or five decades the exponents of Communism have moved around the world with their message. At this very hour, more than one-third of the people living on this planet are under the direct influence and control of this atheistic interpretation of life.

"But when the fulness of time was come, God sent forth his son" (Galatians 4:4). Hebrew religion, Greek language and culture, and Roman law joined in preparing a highway over which the Christian gospel might pass to the outposts of civilization. In our time developments in the fields of transportation, international relations, and communication have created a situation whereby we have the instruments in our hands to preach the gospel to the entire world. At a recent meeting of airline representatives from all over the world in Athens, Greece, it was discovered that the man who came from the most remote section of the world traveled only thirty-six hours by air to get there. With Rupert Brooke we can say, "God be praised who hath matched us with this hour."

What is to be the mood of Christianity in such an hour? Will it be fear or faith, apathy or advance, cowardice or courage, vacillation or victory? I believe I know the answer which is rising in your hearts.

What are the things which drive us out of the gallery into the arena, out of the camp into the battle, and out of our comfort into the warfare? Some things grip our hearts with such meaning that we can never break away.

We are impelled onward when we consider the ghastly, appalling human need and misery of a lost world. Every night half the people on this planet go to bed hungry. In America we spend ten billion dollars a year for liquor and other intoxicating beverages. To manufacture our yearly supply requires over three million tons of grain—an amount sufficient to keep alive for one year thirty-three million starving people in Europe or Asia. Infant mortality in many nations is so high that the people are truly desperate for better hospital and medical facilities. More than eighty million people live in



Indonesia. There are only fourteen hundred doctors and only fifty qualified nurses. This means only one doctor for every 57,857 people.

Fully three out of five people can neither read nor write. Illiteracy, ignorance, and superstition keep millions bound in intellectual slavery. Conditions like these provide a fertile spawning ground for a type of thinking and acting which can threaten the peace of the world.

In a world of 2,400,000,000 people, at least 2,240,000,000 live outside the United States. Of this number 700,000,000 are nominally Christian (about one out of three). This includes Roman and Greek Orthodox and all protestant and evangelical groups. Eight hundred million are behind the Iron Curtain and cannot be reached. This leaves 900,000,000 which are the direct responsibility of Christians, and who need to be won to a living faith in Jesus Christ. Who can look at such a world in the vastness of its need without an outpouring of compassion and love?

There are those, even in the midst of this sorry world, who take Jesus seriously. Albert Schweitzer, the French missionary surgeon who won the 1952 Nobel Peace Prize, which included a \$33,610 award, has announced to the world that he will probably use the money to build a new leper village at Lambarena, French Africa. Here is a man of great dimensions who left promising careers of music, letters and theology to become a doctor to the sick and the suffering of Africa. When the shadow of a life like this falls across our path, we feel the lift of holy aspiration and sense the unparalleled loveliness of a dedicated personality. No man can stay where he is in his spiritual life when confronted with an example like this.

On one occasion Emerson, the sage of Concord, visited Thoreau, his good friend, who at that time was in the village jail because of his refusal to conform to some local law which seemed to contravene his sensitive conscience. Emerson called out in a jocular vein, "What are you doing in there?" Thoreau replied, quite

soberly, "The question is, what are you doing out there?" When world need calls and spiritual pioneers march toward the frontier, who can remain in the palaces of privilege?

There is yet another call which often rings in the sanctuary of the soul. It comes from One whose life on earth revolved around a cradle, a carpenter's bench, a suffering world, a cross, and an empty tomb. We know something of the essence of His character, the quality of His spirit, and the core of His teaching. Rising above all is the tragic glory of the cross. This is the supreme moral and spiritual magnet of mankind.

When Christians have endeavored to match the spirit in which Jesus lived and died, they have conquered the world. This passion of the cross must seize us and drive us out into the welter and woes of this generation with the evangel of love and peace.

Canon Bryan Green of Birmingham, England, tells the thrilling story about a little girl. She was a Church of England child and, perhaps for ill health or some other reason, was not baptized until she reached the age of five. The day after her baptism her mother noticed her wandering about in the house and, quite frequently during the day, looking at herself in the mirror. Her mother said, "Darling, whatever are you doing? All day long you have been looking at yourself in the mirror. Why are you doing it?" "Well, Mommie," she said, "I am looking for it everywhere, and I can't find it." "Find what?" said the mother. "Well, don't you remember, Mommie, yesterday they made a cross on my forehead, and I can't find it anywhere. I think it must have gone inside."

That is where the cross must go for us. It must go inside if it is to be a real power in our lives. When it does go inside in enough of us who bear His name, the world will hear the tramping feet of God's legions "marching as to war." This will be enough, even in an atomic age, to make the foundations of hell tremble and to cause the flame of hope to rise from the ashes of despair.



## In Memoriam



**DR. LUTHER BRITTAIN**

**T**HERE are many individual members who have had a glorious part in the history of our church, its work and its growth. The Editors and the present membership of the church would like to acknowledge and pay personal tribute to each of them. But within the limitations of our book, that is impossible. So we have selected as a symbol of them all, to be personally honored, one of the most distinguished, most beloved, and most recent to be taken from us, Dr. Luther Brittain.



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## NOTED EDUCATOR DIES

Dr. Marion Luther Brittain, 87, president emeritus and "Grand Old Man" of Georgia Tech, died early Wednesday afternoon at the residence, 204 North Ave., N.W., after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Friday at the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church. Dr. Monroe F. Swilley, Jr. and Dr. Louie D. Newton will officiate. Burial will be in Westview Cemetery.

### MOURNING PERIOD

Georgia Tech's day and evening divisions will be closed from Thursday noon until Monday in tribute to Dr. Brittain, Blake R. Van Leer, president of Georgia Tech, announced. Also a 30-day mourning period will begin with the flag being lowered to half staff.

Surviving Dr. Brittain are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Spann W. Milner, Atlanta; two sons, Marion L. Brittain, Jr., and McDonald Brittain, Atlanta; three grandsons, Spann W. Milner, Jr., Walter E. Brittain, and M. L. Brittain, III, Atlanta; and a great-granddaughter, Miss Betsy Carlisle Milner.

Dr. Brittain, nationally-known as an educator, received recognition in many fields during his distinguished career. During his tenure as Georgia Tech's president, the institution more than doubled in size and became famous throughout the world for the excellence of its technological training.

### HONORED BY EDUCATORS

A writer and a scholar, Dr. Brittain served as president of state, regional and national education groups. He was a member of the U. S. Naval Academy's Board of Visitors and a federal prison inspection board and was named president of the advisory board for

the federal government's Techwood slum clearance project. As early as 1898 he was cited for "distinguished service," winning The Atlanta Constitution's annual \$1,000 award. Even after retirement, he continued to serve his beloved Georgia Tech and his community. Dr. Brittain, long-time teacher of the Men's Bible Class at Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, taught his class there as recently as three Sundays ago.

Noted as a historian, he published six books, the last one being, "The Story of Georgia Tech."

Dr. Brittain was born in Wilkes County, in northeast Georgia, on November 11, 1865.

His father, Dr. Jabez Mercer Brittain, was a Baptist minister who also served as a lieutenant in the Confederate Army. His mother was Ida Callaway Brittain.

### EMORY GRADUATE

Dr. Brittain was graduated from Emory College, then at Oxford, Ga., in 1886.

In 1898 he pursued graduate studies at the University of Chicago, returning to Atlanta in 1900.

In that year, he became principal of Fulton County Schools, and held that position until 1910 when he was named state superintendent of schools. He served in the latter capacity until he became president of Georgia Tech in 1922.

### HONORARY DEGREES

The honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon him by Mercer University in 1919, by the University of Georgia in 1927 and Emory University in 1928.

He served as president of the Georgia Teachers Association in 1906, the Southern Education Association in 1913, and the Council

of State Superintendents of the United States in 1917.

He was a life member of the National Education Association and belonged to the Capital City Club and the Ten Club of Atlanta.

He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic societies, and the Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

Among Dr. Brittain's published works are "An Introductory to Caesar," 1900; "History and Methods of Sunday School Work," 1901; "History of the Second Baptist Church," 1905; "Blue Book of Stories," 1915, and "Lessons for Adults," 1922.

A keen student of the Bible and a Sunday School teacher virtually all of his adult life, Dr. Brittain began his career as a Sunday School teacher at the First Baptist Church in Atlanta. He was then 22 years old, and just out of college.

Later he married Miss Lettie McDonald, daughter of the pastor of the *Second Baptist Church*, the late Rev. Henry McDonald, who would not give his consent to the marriage, Dr. Brittain recalled, "until I transferred my membership to his church."

The marriage took place on Dec. 20, 1889, with the bride's father reading the service, assisted by the father of the bridegroom.

Dr. Brittain became president emeritus of Tech in 1944. Known as the "Grand Old Man of Tech" and a patron saint to thousands of alumni, Dr. Brittain observed on his 86th birthday:

"A week never passes without receiving something from an alumnus."

Dr. Brittain taught the Men's Bible Class, Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, for more than twenty years. His last public act was to teach his class just one week before he was called to his reward.

# CHURCH ROLL

## *Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

*September 30, 1954*

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Acree, Mrs. O. E.	Alsing, James A.	Atwater, John S.
Acuff, Lindsay S., Jr.	Altman, Mrs. M. E.	Atwater, Mrs. John S.
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Adair, A. D.	Andel, Mrs. Henry L.	Austin, W. Herrin
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Adair, Mrs. A. D., Jr.	Anderson, Constance Spalding	Austin, Angela
Adams, A. C.	Anderson, Albert S., III	Austin, W. Herrin, Jr.
Adams, Guy H.	Anderson, Barney H.	Averill, Mrs. L. H.
Adams, Mrs. Guy H.	Anderson, Mrs. Barney H.	Averill, Ruth
Adams, Mrs. T. A.	Anderson, B. J.	Averill, Richard
Adams, E. Warde, Jr.	Anderson, Mrs. B. J.	Avey, Mrs. Fred
Adams, Mrs. E. Warde, Jr.	Anderson, J. M.	Aycock, Mrs. C. G.
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Adams, Mrs. R. D.	Anderson, Mrs. L. M.	Ayer, Guy D.
Adamson, Beulah	Anderson, Mrs. S. C.	Ayer, Guy Darrell, Jr.
Addison, Joel N.	Anderson, Edith	Ayer, Mrs. Guy Darrell, Jr.
Addison, Mrs. Joel N.	Anderson, Seymour	Ayer, Jane
Addison, Joel N., Jr.	Anderson, Mrs. S. T.	Ayer, Nancy Lou
Addison, Paul	Anderson, Robert	Ayers, William E.
Aderhold, Harvey J.	Anderson, Mrs. William W.	Ayers, Mrs. William E.
Aderhold, Mrs. Harvey J.	Anderson, William W., Jr.	
Aderhold, Victor Wayne	Andrews, James R.	Baggarly, Lillian
Aikins, Mrs. J. H.	Andrews, William Edward	Baggerly, Earl W.
Akin, Mrs. John T.	Andrews, Mrs. J. Y.	Baggerly, Mrs. Earl W.
Aldrich, David	AnDyke, Mrs. Martin	Baggett, L. G.
Alford, B. C.	Archbold, E. J.	Baggett, Mrs. L. G.
Alford, Mrs. B. C.	Archbold, Mrs. E. J.	Baggott, James L.
Allen, Charles H.	Archbold, E. J., Jr.	Baggott, Mrs. James L.
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Allen, Mrs. Dale T.	Archbold, Grayce Carla	Bagley, Henry Walker
Allen, Mrs. Dan J., Jr.	Archbold, Larry	Bailey, Jean
Allen, Ernest G.	Ardoyno, Mrs. S. D.	Bailey, John Henry
Allen, Mrs. Ernest G.	Armstrong, Mrs. Evan	Bailey, Mrs. John Henry
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 Bailey, Jack  
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 Bauer, Frank J.  
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 Beall, Judson P.  
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 Beard, Paul E., Sr.  
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 Castleberry, William  
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 Cates, Jeanie  
 Cates, Staley  
 Cato, Gaynell  
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 Cauthorn, Mrs. Thomas E., II  
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 Chambers, Bruce  
 Chambers, Kay  
 Chambers, Lois  
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 Chatham, Charles W.  
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 Cleveland, Mrs. A. G., Jr.  
 Cleveland, Jealyn  
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Cole, Sam G.	Cook, Charles	Cox, Norman W.
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Coleman, Mrs. Cecil H.	Cook, Walter B.	Craig, H. Eugene, Jr.
Coleman, Len	Cook, Mrs. Walter B.	Craig, Billy
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Coleman, J. Beverly	Cooledge, Mrs. Harold N.	Crain, Mrs. James F.
Coleman, John Phil, Jr.	Cooledge, Harold N., Jr.	Crain, Mrs. Sam H.
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Collier, Mrs. Cliff W.	Cooper, Mrs. A. H., Jr.	Cranor, Earl, Jr.
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Collier, J. T.	Cooper, Floyd C., III	Crawford, Clyde L.
Collier, Jimmy	Cooper, Kenneth D.	Crawford, Eugene E.
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## SOME INTERESTING FACTS

### *In the Early History of Atlanta*

First settler: Hardy Ivy, 1833; 200-acre farm east of Peachtree and north of Decatur Street.

First building: Charner Humphries, on what is now Whitehall St., painted white, hence "White Hall".

First name of Atlanta, "Terminus", 1837. From terminus of "State Road", surveyed by Stephen H. Long, located near present site of Union Station.

Lot on Whitehall St. between Hunter and Mitchell sold for \$45, top price in 1837.

Decatur refused terminal facilities of W. & Atlantic R. R. because of smoke and noise; terminal established in Atlanta 1841.

City named "Marthasville", 1843, for daughter of Governor Lumpkin.

First sawmill, Mr. Jonathan Norcross. His sawyer, Wm. G. Forsyth. Mill operated by "horse" power, provided lumber for Atlanta's first buildings.

First train to enter Atlanta (Marthasville), December 24, 1842; engineer, W. F. Adair.

First streets: Marietta, Decatur, Whitehall, Peachtree, Pryor, Loyd, and Alabama. Plowed by mules and city fathers.

Population, 1845: 200.

First newspaper: "The Democrat", 1845, W. H. Fonerden.

First church: "Union Church", log building at corner Pryor and Houston, Reverend J. S. Wilson, Presbyterian.

First school: 1845, Miss Martha Reed, the three R's.

First city water system, springs at Five Points and at Spring & Williams Sts., hence name "Spring St." Later, artesian well at Five Points. Samuel Mitchell traded a small pony for land in central part of Atlanta, Mitchell & Hunter Street area. Worth \$15,000,000 in 1900; how much in 1954?

City named "Atlanta" in 1847, feminine of "Atlantic". Name suggested by Mr. J. Edgar Thompson, Chief Engineer of Georgia R. R.

In 1859 the Mayor's salary was raised from \$500 to \$1000.

Ponce de Leon Avenue gets its name from "Ponce de Leon Park", amusement park out in the country at the location of large springs where Sears Roebuck and the Atlanta Crackers baseball park are now located. This accounts for "Ponce de Leon" appearing in the name of our church.

# CONDENSED HISTORY OF ATLANTA

## (1836-1867)

From Barnwell's Atlanta City Directory, 1867

In presenting to the patrons of this book a chain of historical facts, relative to Atlanta, we cannot conceive a plan we think would meet with more general favor, than that of giving the "Sketch of Atlanta," written for "Williams' Atlanta Directory," for 1859 and 1860, by her highly esteemed citizen, Col. G. B. Haygood, deceased, as the history alluded to, prior to that date. The eloquence, the brevity, the accuracy, and other features displayed therein, commend it as the *desideratum*. Were we the most eminent writer, we should scarcely attempt an improvement. We only regret that Col. Haygood has not survived the years of calamity through which our city has passed since that time, and that a pen so feeble must continue a history so ably began.

In our remarks, which follow the "Sketch", it has been our utmost ambition to deal out truth, without favor or partiality, giving such items as, in our judgment, should be remembered by our citizens, not that we would stimulate or perpetuate feelings of animosity between individuals or sections but that the facts may be culled and weighed in a sober moment—the good emulated, and the like evil avoided in the future.

The following is the "Sketch" above mentioned:

### SKETCH OF ATLANTA

"Atlanta is situated seven miles east south-east of the Chattahoochee River, on the dividing ridge between the waters of the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico; on the 34th parallel of north latitude, at an elevation of one thousand and fifty feet above the level of the sea.

"The Ocmulgee River, which flows to the Atlantic, has its source in the central part of the city. The head spring of South River, its principal tributary, being located within the Railroad Reserve, near the present Passenger Depot, its precise spot being now indicated by the large perennial cistern, between the Holland House and the Macon and Western Depot, on the south

side of the railroad track; while Walton Spring, an early celebrity of the place, situated a little north of the road, flows into the Chattahoochee, and thence to the Gulf of Mexico; so that here in the heart of the city, the marriage of the waters of the Atlantic and the Gulf might have been celebrated high in air, by our own engine companies, drawing their supplies the while, from the natural fountains, flowing thence to their far distant destinations in the bosom of the Atlantic and the Gulf. But Charleston must needs go to Memphis, that old Ocean, pent up in hoops and staves, may be received into the embraces of his Amazon bride, and the "father of waters" is shorn of his glory, and is changed into a huge "water station" on the road to the West.

"On the 21st of December, 1836, the Legislature of Georgia passed an Act authorizing the construction of a railroad communication by the State, from some point on the Tennessee line, subsequently extended to the Tennessee River, to some point on the south-eastern bank of the Chattahoochee River, which should be most eligible for the extension of branches thence to other important points in Georgia.

"The present site of the public depot was located sometime afterwards, by Wilson Lumpkin, Ex-Governor of the State, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, Mr. C. F. M. Garnett. The station was called "Terminus" prior to December 23rd, 1843, when the place was incorporated by the name of Marthasville, in compliment to Miss Martha Lumpkin, daughter of His Excellency, Governor Lumpkin, and whom we thus recognize as the early *matro-nymic* of the thrifty, bustling village, the embryo city. In the short space of four years the village had outgrown the expectations of its early inhabitants, and had become too fast, too gross, too great, and too pretentious to wear any longer, with maidenly modesty, the name of its fair *matro-nymic*; a change was demanded, and on the 29th of December, 1847, it was incorporated as a city by the name of Atlanta, a name which is

understood to have been proposed by J. Edgar Thompson, at that time Chief Engineer of the Georgia Railroad. The signification of the name, the reasons for its adoption, and the various theories on the subject have now become a theme of inquiry and investigation not without interest. The writer has heard it claimed as due in honor to a mythological goddess, Atalanta, said to have been remarkable for fleetness, strength, and endurance. It was certainly a *fast town* then and may have been supposed entitled to the honor of a recognition by the goddess, by reason of its early character, and its wonderful achievements. The infant has become a giant, and is rapidly overcoming the obstacles to its growth and prosperity, and making the surrounding country, and neighboring villages, all tributary to its prosperity, permanency and celebrity. The name was for a short time written *Atalanta*, which seems to favor the claims of the goddess. An orator of no mean pretensions, claimed for it the signification of "A city among the hills," while a shrewd writer has declared that it was the opposite of "*rus in erbi*," and proclaimed it "the city in the woods." And its commercial and geographical position has recently procured for it the appellation of "The Gate City."

"And still another theory is set up by some who claim for it an origin more worthy of its present importance as a railroad entrepot and commercial emporium, taken in connection with its future prospects as a great railroad centre and manufacturing city. The great State work, connecting the western waters with the Atlantic, commencing at Chattanooga on the Tennessee River, and terminating at this point, had been nearly completed. The name "Western and Atlantic Railroad" had been given to it by the Legislature of Georgia, and it was not inaptly considered the great connecting artery through which must pass the incalculable mass of produce, manufactures, and commerce from the great valley of the West, and the Atlantic coast, and the imports from abroad passing thence to the far West.

"Atlanta had been permanently fixed as the south-eastern terminus of that great State work, and gave a local idea to its eastern terminus, and that idea represented or qualified by the adjective Atlantic, was incomplete of itself, but clearly pointed to something more definite, and the mind is put upon the inquiry for the thing signified. The connections by rail from Charleston by way of Augusta, and from Savannah by way of Macon, had both been completed to this point. These roads had been gradually ascending

the hills from the coast, in search of a "north-west passage," they had searched the hills upon which the city stands, and here they met the Western and Atlantic road, just emerging from the wilds of the north-west, seeking by a sinuous and difficult ascent from the Western Valley, for a highway to the Atlantic. They met together in our streets, they embraced each other upon these headlands of the Atlantic.

"These *Atlantic head-lands*, when embodied in the noun *Atlanta*, to our mind meets the demand, and represents the ideal of the thing sought after, and the mind rests upon it as the thing signified by the several *indices* pointing to *Atlanta* as the proper name for such a city, in such a place. This we now state to the public as the true derivation, sustained by the facts in the case.

"Atlanta has had a growth unexampled in the history of the South. In 1854, the population has reached 6,025. The increase for several years has averaged 1,000 per annum. On the first of April, 1859, it is ascertained by the census taken under the State authority, to be 11,500 souls.

"The assessed value of the real estate in the city the present year, 1859, is \$2,760,000, and the personality, cash, merchandise, etc., in proportion.

"The number of stores in 1854, was 57, exclusive of drinking saloons. The amount of goods sold in 1853, was \$1,017,000, and amount sold in 1858 is not known with accuracy, but is believed to have been about \$3,000,000, and is now rapidly increasing. It is now widening and extending the area of its supply on every side. Dry goods are sold to the country for over one hundred miles around, on terms as favorable to purchasers as the retail markets of the great northern cities, New York itself not excepted, and still our merchants are prosperous, thrifty and energetic. No respectable house here had to suspend during the severe crisis in commercial affairs in 1857 and 1858.

"The great secret of the safety, success, and independence of convulsions, is to be found in the fact that sales are made at low rates, almost entirely for cash, and the profits, though small in detail, are often repeated, and amount to a vast sum in the aggregate: a few have fallen by unfortunate speculations.

"The number of stores and other business houses at present is unknown to the writer. Nineteen commodious brick stores were erected in 1858, and as many more are now in progress of erection in 1859, besides a large number of fine



dwellings, mostly of brick; many of the new improvements are imposing structures, and would be creditable in the elegant portions of any of our modern cities.

"There are at present four capacious hotels now open, and in successful operation, and another still more extensive is nearly completed, designed, we understand, chiefly for the accommodation of families, hitherto a felt necessity in the city.

"The city now has in successful operation four large and flourishing machine shops, two of these are connected with railroad companies, and two belong to private companies, where stationary engines, mill gearing, with almost every variety of castings, and machinery are manufactured at short notice. Two planing mills, and sash and blind factories are also in successful operations, besides there are various smaller manufacturing establishments in the city; three or four tanneries, one or two shoe manufactories, besides several smaller establishments. The most important establishment in the place is the rolling mill, for the manufacture of railroad iron, which is capable of turning out thirty tons of railroad iron of superior quality.

The clothing trade has become an item of no inconsiderable importance within the last few years, and presents some new features when contrasted with any other southern cities of equal size and age. The manufacture of clothing in this city is a decided success and has increased with an unparalleled rapidity for a southern city. In 1854 five hands were employed in the manufacture of clothing, the number now thus employed exceeds seventy-five, the larger portions of whom are females. The clothing made here has been received with favor by the public, and is believed to have attracted much attention to the wholesale trade of the city in that article. In this connection, it may be stated that this is the great southern depot for the sale of the most approved models of sewing machines, the use of which has doubtlessly added greatly to the trade in the clothing department.

"The city was first brilliantly lighted with gas manufactured from Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee coal, on the 25th of December, 1855.

"The incorporated shape of the city is a circle two miles in diameter, with a handle of half a mile in length, and six hundred yards wide along the line of the Macon and Western Railroad. It covers a portion of sixteen original land lots, each of which was laid off upon a plan to suit the views of the respective owners, and hence our streets are not all so regular in width and uniform

in direction as is desirable—many of them being much too narrow for public convenience.

"The City Hall and County Court House is a convenient, commodious, and handsome structure, erected in 1854 and 1855, at a cost of a little over \$30,000. It is 70 by 100 feet in size, two stories high, of fine architectural proportion and design, well adapted to the uses intended is elegantly finished throughout, surmounted by an imposing dome, and is alike creditable to the city and the artist.

"The Medical College is now in its fifth course of lectures, all delivered in the summer, with a larger class than any former one—numbering one hundred and fifty-six students: has had its day of probation, trial and difficulties; but it is now a decided success, and its enemies and rivals have almost ceased to persecute it. It has an able and efficient faculty, and a very complete chemical apparatus, and is collecting a very respectable museum.

"The geographical position of Atlanta being nearly in the centre of the southern section of the American Union, at the point of the great railroad crossings in a right line from New York to New Orleans, and nearly equi-distant from each; four prominent lines of railroad all centering here, and pouring into the depots and warehouses of the city an amount of trade, and transporting through it a vast tide of travel: situated, too, just upon the dividing line between the cotton and grain sections of the State, altogether, give to Atlanta facilities for receiving and distributing the productions and the commerce of the country from one section to another, greater than can be claimed for any other inland city in the South. Atlanta is now connected by rail with Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis, and thence with the Upper Mississippi, also, with Loudon and Knoxville, Tennessee; Lynchburg, Virginia; and thence with the great lines North and east; on the south-west with Montgomery by rail, thence by water with Mobile, New Orleans, and all the Lower Mississippi; also with Columbus and all south-western Georgia, and Savannah, and the Atlantic, through Macon. By the Georgia Railroad with Augusta, Charleston, Columbia, Greenville, most of the prominent places in North and South Carolina, Virginia, and the great Northern cities. Another Railroad is now in projection, and considerable progress made towards its accomplishment, in the direction of Anderson Court House, South Carolina, through the beautiful and productive territory, known as North-east Georgia; and another, still, has been chartered from this point to the great

and inexhaustible coal fields of North-eastern Alabama, destined to supply fuel and motive power to the teeming millions that shall inhabit these lands for untold ages. Forty-four freight and passenger trains arrive and depart daily from the city.

"The city now contains thirteen Christian churches; and one more has been recently projected.

"It is not believed that any other city in the country is blessed with greater or better facilities for procuring building materials, the supply of granite near at hand, of a quality peculiarly adapted to building purposes, is literally inexhaustible; bricks of good quality are made in and around the city on reasonable terms. Lumber of good quality is also obtained at reasonable prices; lime is produced in any desirable quantity near at hand.

"The population of the city is remarkable for its activity and enterprise. Most of the inhabitants came here for the purpose of bettering their fortunes by engaging actively in some kind of business, and this presents the anomaly of having very few aged persons residing in it; and our people show their democratic impulses by each allowing his neighbor to attend to his own business, and our ladies even are allowed to attend to their own domestic and household affairs without being ruled out of respectable society.

"The mechanical element prevails in our city, and the major part of them are enterprising, thrifty and prosperous men, who are rapidly rising in the public esteem.

"The health of the city is almost unprecedented, being entirely exempt from the usual summer and fall fevers, cholera, &c. No epidemic has ever prevailed here, and the bills of mortality show a state of health almost without a parallel.

"The city is chiefly supplied with the very best free stone water, from wells usually from thirty to forty feet deep, though a very great number of excellent springs are found within the city limits. Among these we may not omit to mention the Chalybiate Spring in the western part of the city, which has within a few years attracted the public attention, and now forms one of the inducements for the sojourn in our city of those in search of health.

"The public spirit of some of our citizens has recently projected considerable improvements at this point, whereby its attractions are greatly increased, and it is rapidly becoming a place of public resort. All things considered, we may safely assert the prophecy of that far-seeing statesman, John C. Calhoun, is in process of rapid fulfill-

ment, who predicted, while passing through the place in 1847, that it was destined ultimately to become the largest inland city of the South.

"This hasty sketch has been prepared under very unfavorable circumstances, in the midst of severe family afflictions, and other pressing engagements, and will doubtless be found defective in many particulars, but it was called for in haste, and is given to the public, without further apology for what it is worth. G.B.H."

It will be seen from the foregoing, that Atlanta has, in the way of improvement, far exceeded the expectations of the most sanguine of its early settlers. In 1843 it was incorporated merely as a village, and in 1847, a lapse of only four years time, it had grown to such an extent as to demand the charter of a city. By the year 1859, twelve years more, she had attained a population of 12,000; presenting to the world a scene of unparalleled energy, enterprise, and prosperity. The real estate in the city, as assessed in 1859, amounted to nearly \$3,000,000; personal property, cash, and other items of value in proportion: including almost every article of wealth known to the world. From the little "Village in the Woods," of a sparse population, supplied with provisions mainly from the countryman's cart, and clothed in the handiwork of our own noble women, Atlanta gradually, but rapidly, sprang up, until in 1860 to 1862, the minor means of transportation had been nearly supplanted by the huge "Iron Horse," bringing inexhaustible supplies of provisions, &c, from more fertile regions, and our fair ladies relieved of the arduous task of manufacturing their own fabrics, by the importation, directly or indirectly, of dry goods, and the various articles of wear, from almost every market in the world.

"But riches make to themselves wings and fly away." Prosperity is alike uncertain to countries, kingdoms, cities, and individuals; and Atlanta has not proved herself an exception to this general rule. From 1862, with no other apparent reason than the darkening of the political horizon, and the threatening aspect of the clouds of war, improvement in this hitherto enterprising and prosperous city, was considerably checked, except in point of population. About this time, the attention of our best manufacturing establishments was diverted from their legitimate business (that of domestic articles) to the manufacture of the various appliances of war. Would that we could, with propriety, avoid referring to so terrible a calamity. But we must act impartially. We must state the facts, to the best of our knowledge and belief, painting them in no gaudy



hues, that each, in its place, may bear the impress of truth.

Atlanta advanced very little, except in population, from 1862 until after its destruction; but it increased very materially in this respect, reaching, perhaps, 20,000 to 22,000 souls—many of whom were only transient employees and attaches of the Confederate Government, whose business was the manufacture of various articles and implements of war. There were, during the three years, from the commencement of 1862 to the time the city was occupied by the United States Army, manufactured in Atlanta, almost every article known in the annals of American warfare—from field ordnance to a first class revolver. Also, ammunition of every description from the largest shell to percussion caps, balls, &c. Swords, sabres, and in fact, almost every instrument destructive of human life, were made in great variety and abundance. To these manufacturing, war interests, is attributable the large increase of population during the years to which we have above alluded; and, had not the city been destroyed, there would not have returned to Atlanta, after the surrender of Generals Lee and Johnston, nearly so many as were here prior to the commencement of the siege; perhaps not more than 18,000 to 20,000. Many good citizens, however, from Tennessee, Kentucky, and other States, have returned, and made Atlanta their permanent home.

This city was kept under strict martial law by the Confederate authorities from April 1862, until occupied by the United States forces. It was, also, headquarters for Quartermaster and Commissary-stores, hospitals, &c., for the Confederate Army of Tennessee, from March 1862, until they were removed for safety, by order of General Joseph E. Johnston. During this time, many of the most prominent buildings, public and private, were used—impressed when necessary—for hospitals, Government stores, &c. Among the buildings thus used, were the Empire House, American Hotel (then known as Gate City), the Medical College, Female Institute, Kile's Building, Hayden's Hall, and Concert Hall; the Gate City Hotel being latterly used as the Distributing Hospital. There were also established large hospital accommodations at the Fair Ground, and a convalescent camp near Mrs. Ponder's residence, on the W. & A. Railroad. The Confederate barracks, for this post, was west of Peachtree Street, north of, and not far distant from the Walton Spring.

Atlanta being the great hospital depot for the above mentioned army, during the campaign

from Chattanooga to this city, in the Spring and Summer months of 1864, especially, the most intense anxiety and solicitude prevailed among our citizens. Great numbers of sick and wounded soldiers, daily arriving at the Passenger Depot, were met by the ladies of our first families, with baskets filled with such delicacies, &c., as were most needed by them. It is estimated that, from time to time, during the war, there were in hospital at this place not less than 80,000 Confederate soldiers, and that of this number about 5,000 died; 4,600 of whom were buried in the City Cemetery. There were probably 2,500 Federals, also, in hospital at this place, about 150 of whom were buried in the City Cemetery.

Up to this date, the remains of over 1,300 Federal soldiers, including those buried in the Cemetery, and over 800 from the battlefield of Peachtree Creek, have been exhumed, and removed to the National Cemetery at Marietta, or to their homes.

From the time the contending armies crossed the Chattahoochee River, which was about the 15th of July 1864, a state of panic existed, and the greatest confusion prevailed, until a great many non-combatants had retired from the city. Every available means of conveyance was either impressed by the Confederate authorities, or employed at exorbitant prices, in removing the effects of such citizens as were able to obtain railroad transportation for the same.

To such as remained, for want of transportation, or for any other reason, until after the bombardment of the city by the United States artillery, had fairly commenced, a scene at once fearful and sublime was presented. Huge bombs, and smaller shell, presenting, in the darkness of night, the appearance of glaring comets or meteors, flying in every direction, bursting and dealing death and destruction amidst zealous firemen, soldiers, and citizens who were striving to extinguish the fiendish flames of a burning city, and driving, with precipitate movement, our frantic women and children into rude "holes in the ground," hastily prepared for their preservation, is a sketch of facts—much too feeble and inadequate—of one of a series of evening entertainments given the citizens of Atlanta during the month of August 1864.

Atlanta was bombarded, at intervals, from about the 20th of July 1864, until evacuated by the Confederates. Latterly, even the women and children became, apparently, regardless of these missiles of death, and children were not debarred of their usual amusements on account of their frequent visits. Comparatively few casualties oc-



curred among the citizens during the contest for Atlanta. Most of the non-combatants were permitted to survive these terrible scenes, and to leave the city before the work of destruction had advanced to its full extent.

During the siege, there were thrown up, by the contending parties, continuous lines of fortifications around the entire city—a distance of at least eight or ten miles—in and near which were fought some of the most sanguinary battles of the war. In an engagement, near Peachtree Creek, on the 20th of July, the Confederates lost, killed and wounded, not less than 1,500, and the Federals lost, perhaps, as many. In another battle, extending from the Rolling Mill, on the Georgia Railroad, to Decatur, the Confederates lost about 2,000, and the Federals, 3,500. There were other hotly contested engagements around the city, in which great numbers were killed and wounded on both sides—the final and decisive battles being fought at Jonesboro, August 21st and September 1st, in which the Confederate loss was very heavy, while that of the Federal army was much less. The whole number killed and wounded around Atlanta, from the time the armies crossed the Chattahoochee River until the city was invested by the United States Army, including the Jonesboro battles, is unknown to the writer, but must have been at least 18,000 to 20,000 Confederates, and as many Federals.

How quickly fade from the memory of man impressions made by the contemplation of such a scene! Yet, the citizens of this bustling city, however heedless they may be, sleep nightly in the midst of one vast graveyard. Friend and foe lie shoulder to shoulder, and will take up arms against each other no more; but must one day stand together before their Creator. Let us hope they died with such charitable feelings, and with such faith in their Saviour, as shall secure to them the salvation of their immortal spirits.

Before the evacuation of the city by the Confederate General Hood's army, the Rolling Mill, formerly owned by Messrs. Markham & Schofield, on the Georgia Railroad, about one hundred cars, and a great deal of ammunition, and other army supplies, were destroyed, and the railroads torn up to a considerable extent. On the morning, and until night, of the 1st of September, 1864, Maj. Gen. Stewart's Corps, Gen. Ferguson's Brigade of Cavalry, and the Georgia State Militia, were in the city, and a corps, under command of Gen. S. D. Lee, came within six miles of Atlanta, (to Mr. Killis Brown's, on South River), in the afternoon. Gen. Slocum's commands were at the Chattahoochee River, eight miles distant. At

night, the Confederate forces were withdrawn from the city, and the following day, the Hon. J. M. Calhoun, then Mayor of Atlanta, with a committee of some twelve citizens, after going more than two miles up the Marietta Road, and first meeting with a Captain Scott, obtained an interview with Col. John Coburne, of Indianapolis, Indiana, the substance of which we give below:

After having been introduced by Capt. Scott, Mayor Calhoun said: "Col. Coburne, the fortunes of war have placed Atlanta in your hands. As Mayor of the city, I come to ask protection for non-combatants and for private property." To this Col. Coburne replied: "We did not come to make war on non-combatants, nor on private property: both shall be respected and protected by us." On this day, also, the command of Gen. Slocum regularly invested the city, Gen. W. T. Sherman, himself, coming in September 7th. On the morning of the 3d, the above remarks, on the part of Mayor Calhoun, were, by request, reduced to writing, and addressed to Gen. Ward, instead of Col. Coburne; but the reply was not reduced to writing.

The headquarters of Gen. Sherman was at the residence of Judge R. F. Lyon, corner Mitchell and Washington streets. Gen. Thomas' headquarters was at the residence of Mr. M. Meyers, on Peachtree street; Gen. Geary's at Mr. E. E. Rawson's, on Pryor; Gen. Stanley's at the residence of Mr. Lewis Schofield, on Peachtree street; and Gen. Slocum's at Wm. H. Dabney's, on Washington Street. The best store-houses, on the main business streets, the hotels, Medical College, City Hall, Female Institute, and other houses, were used, in turn, by the Federal army, as store-houses, hospitals, etc., during their occupancy of the city.

According to orders issued on the subject, soon after the entrance of the United States Army into Atlanta, commenced the work of tearing down such houses as were found unoccupied, and not required for hospitals, store-houses, headquarters, or other army purposes, as they stood, and the conversion of the same into small, compact cabins—with chimneys and glass windows in many instances—to be used as quarters by the United States soldiery.

About the 10th of September, Gen. Sherman issued an order requiring the evacuation of the city by all citizens, except those who engaged themselves as employees of the United States Government, as mechanics, clerks, watchmen, etc., allowing all to go South who wished to do so, and sending others beyond the Ohio River.

This required an armistice of ten days, which was agreed upon by Generals Sherman and Hood. Mr. James M. Ball, and our late lamented fellow-citizen, James R. Crew, acting as a committee, appointed for that purpose by His Honor, Mayor Calhoun, carried the above order, and also a proposition for an armistice, from Gen. Sherman to Gen. Hood, whose headquarters was then one mile below Lovejoy's Station, on the Macon & Western Railroad. It is also due to Mr. Ball, and other gentlemen cooperating, whose names are not known to the writer, as well as to the memory of Mr. Crew, to remark, in this connection, that they rendered assistance eminently valuable to the citizens, in the removal of their effects from the city. Col. LaDuke, Q.M., U. S. Army, from Minnesota, and other officers of the Federal army, rendered every possible assistance. The Federals furnished the citizens transportation to Rough and Ready, on the Macon & Western Railroad, and the Confederates from thence to Macon, and other points. Having only ten days time to complete the evacuation of a city of 20,000 population, and considering the distance, scanty means of transportation, the great excitement and confusion, natural on such an occasion, it is not strange that a great deal of private property, (furniture, &c.), should be left unprotected. Much of the furniture, according to an arrangement between Gen. Sherman and Mayor Calhoun, was collected and deposited in the Second (Trinity) M. E. Church, and protected by Gen. Sherman, during his occupancy of the city. This Church-full, however, constituted scarcely a tithe of the vast amount of furniture left by the exiled citizens.

About the 15th of November 1864, Gen. Sherman found it expedient to divide his army, sending a portion of it, under command of Gen. Thomas, up the Western & Atlantic Railroad, and into Tennessee, for the purpose of intercepting and thwarting the designs of Gen. Hood, who had, by this time, instituted a flank movement in that direction, while he, with the remainder of his army, made his way to the sea coast, at Savannah, Georgia.

Before evacuating the Post of Atlanta, it was thought advisable, by officers commanding the United States Army, to destroy the city, which was almost completely accomplished. There was scarcely one stone left upon another. Some of the buildings, the Macon & Western Railroad Depot, the Car Shed, or General Passenger Depot, (one of the finest in the United States), the Georgia Railroad Bank Agency building, the Georgia Railroad Depot and Machine Shop, the Western &

Atlantic Railroad Depot and Shops, and other buildings required more powerful agents of destruction than fire, and were either battered down with battering-rams, or blown up with gunpowder. The churches destroyed were Dr. Quintard's Episcopal, corner Bridge and Walton streets; the Protestant Methodist, corner Forsyth and Garnett; Evans Chapel, M. E., on Nelson street; the Christian Church, on Decatur street, and Payne's Chapel, M. E., on Marietta street. The Female College did not escape the flames. All the railroads and shops, and every foundry, machine shop, planing mill, etc., were completely consumed by fire, or otherwise ingeniously destroyed. The Atlanta Gas Works, built years ago, at an immense cost, were also destroyed, as if to make the dismal aspect more hideous by the darkness of night. In fact, such a destruction of public and private property has not been witnessed in any city during the war, except, perhaps, Columbia, South Carolina.

The Masonic Hall, a fine, three story brick building, on Decatur street, by the interposition of members of the fraternity in the United States Army, was preserved. Several good buildings on Alabama Street, east of Pryor, including the Gate City Hotel, were also saved. To Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, is said to be due the preservation of the valuable residences left on Peachtree Street. Through the instrumentality of Father O'Rielly, and of Gen. Slocum, the Catholic Church, Second Baptist, Second Methodist (Trinity), Second Presbyterian, and St. Philip's (Episcopal—much damaged), together with the City Hall, and other valuable property in that vicinity, were preserved. Dr. N. D'Alvigny interceded for the Medical College, which was, also, spared. Other persons, not known to the writer, doubtless, saved valuable property, and should long be remembered as public benefactors.

By those who returned to Atlanta soon after its destruction, a disgusting and heart-sickening scene was witnessed. Ruin, death, and devastation met the eye on every hand. The legions of carrion crows and vultures, whose vocation it might have been to hover over and pick at the decaying carcasses of animals that lay among the scarred and broken walls of our ruined city, were surpassed by the hosts of Georgia's own sons, who might, otherwise, have been styled our brothers, congregated here from a distance of fifty miles, in every direction—not to guard unprotected property—but, many of them, to steal, and haul away the effects of their absent and unfortunate countrymen. There were, also, numerous packs of dogs, that had become wild,



on account of the absence of their masters, attacking citizens, and belching forth their frightful howls, as if to render the scene still more fearful, gloomy, and desolate.

During the months of December and January, after the destruction of the city by the Federals, some of the citizens, who went South, returned home. A few found shelter in their own houses, while the majority of them were compelled to take up their abode in the houses of other parties, or live in tents with their families. The destitution consequent upon the scarcity of provisions and fuel, and the utter worthlessness of Confederate currency, during the winter months of 1864 and 1865, produced an amount of suffering beyond the comprehension of most persons who did not witness the facts. For want of teams, some parties were forced to carry their fuel a distance of nearly a mile, and many suffered severely from both hunger and cold. But they managed to survive the winter, and some had, by the spring following, accumulated considerable little stores. On the surrender and parole of Lee's and Johnston's armies, however, as the soldiers were passing through Atlanta, en route for their homes, they made free with everything that came in their way, leaving many, again, utterly destitute. So much for war, which, under every circumstance, and for whatever cause, is demoralizing in its tendencies—rendering in some instances, the best men incapable of performing an act of kindness, or even of administering simple justice to his fellow man.

Atlanta, during the year 1865, presented quite a picturesque appearance. There might have been seen small houses, put up in many instances expressly for rent, which presented the appearance of having been built of the remnants of half-a-dozen houses. Calico fences, too, still remain quite fashionable in some localities. But, it is to be hoped that the city will outgrow the effects of the war, and that at an early day her citizens may again become comfortably situated, and that good feelings, and a disposition to encourage and foster each other's interests, may be cultivated by them. Then may we hope, and expect to see education advanced, fraternity revived, Christianity practiced, and society much improved and benefited.

Atlanta has, already, made rapid strides in the way of improvement. There were licensed by the City Council, during the last six months of the year 1865, about three hundred and thirty-eight business firms, representing various branches of trade—nearly all of whom commenced on very small capital, occupying shanties as storehouses.

There was very little manufacturing done in Atlanta in 1865. Planing mills, etc., were much needed to assist in the work of rebuilding the city: among the first of such establishments put into operation was that of Hoge, Mills & Co., on Marietta Street. Others of a similar character rapidly sprang up. The several railroad companies went to work in good earnest, repairing their respective roads, and rebuilding their depots and shops, and at this time, they are all in comparatively good condition. Foundries and machine shops were established; first-class business houses took the place of the shanty substitutes which had at first been thrown up by the impoverished citizens, and large stocks of goods soon found their way into them.

The city fathers, too, went to work with great energy. Two neat and tastily arranged market houses were soon completed; the bridge across the Macon & Western and Western & Atlantic Railroads, near the site of the old market house, was rebuilt, and Broad Street opened from Alabama to Mitchell, and widened from Alabama to Peachtree Street. The City Cemetery received their early attention, and has been re-fenced, enlarged, and otherwise improved. The streets of the city, though filled with huge heaps of rubbish less than two years ago, have been put in a fair condition. The incorporate limits have been extended so as to enclose the area of a circle three miles in diameter, the center of which is still located near the General Passenger Depot. They have also provided a place for the M. & W. R. R. Depot, at the corner of M. & W. Railroad and Mitchell Street, for which they have taken in exchange the site on which stood the old Depot, corner Railroad and Whitehall Streets—making a decided improvement by this transaction. The Gas Works have also again been put into operation; and at this time the city is tolerably well lighted. The Rolling Mill, owned by Messrs. Markham & Schofield during the first years of the war, having been destroyed, has not yet been rebuilt. Another, however, on a very extensive scale, has been erected, and put into operation, on the W. & A. Railroad, near the city, under the firm name of the "Atlanta Rolling Mill & Mining Company," by John D. Gray, A. Alexander, and others. There are, also, in Atlanta, three Iron and Brass Foundries, seven Machine Shops, (including those in connection with Railroads), and three large Sash, Door, and Blind Manufactories, besides other and smaller manufacturing establishments.

The printing, publishing, and, also, the educational interest of the city deserve notice. We



have at this time three daily newspapers, one large weekly literary paper, one monthly Medical Journal, and one large monthly magazine; also, several large job offices, and two book binderies. All these establishments seem to be well conducted, and in a prosperous condition. The Medical College has been refitted, and will doubtless soon become eminently successful and popular. The cause of education, generally, is attracting attention. We have already several good schools, notwithstanding the absence of appropriate buildings for that purpose, and we hope some practicable system of free school education, both mental and manual, will at an early day, be established, that the poor children who are learning nothing but beggarly and vicious habits on our streets, may be taught that they were created for more noble and glorious purposes.

The number of stores on the business streets will reach at least two hundred and fifty—mostly brick buildings. The assessed value of the real estate in the city in 1866, was over \$7,000,000, and the amount of goods sold is estimated at \$4,500,000. The population of the city, as shown by the census just taken, under direction of the City Council, is 10,940 whites, 9,288 blacks, nine hundred and twenty-eight (nearly five per cent of the whole number) being widows and orphans; four hundred and forty-nine of whom are widows and orphans of Confederate soldiers—the aggregate showing a population of 20,228 souls.

It will be seen that this city, within the past two years, has risen out of her own ashes, to the populous, mercantile, and manufacturing Atlanta of 1861 and 1862. Her future, who can foresee? The tides of immigration and of improvement still continue to flow in her favor. The two new railroads to this city, in contemplation before the war, will probably be completed at an early day. The Georgia Air Line Railroad will, we are advised, be in running order as far as Gainesville, Hall County, within the year 1868. The grading on this road will be commenced, between this point and Gainesville, in March or April next. From the history of the past, we may, with a degree of certainty, anticipate the effects that will be produced on this city by the completion of these roads. On the railroad and manufacturing interest of Atlanta, and the mineral resources of Upper Georgia—which are now rapidly being developed—and not on agriculture (for the surrounding country is comparatively poor), must this city base her hopes of prosperity. Success attend them! And may we not again be cursed by the demoralizing and destructive tendencies of war, but continue, as a community, to march onward and upward in every ennobling cause, until Atlanta shall have become one of the great cities of the continent.

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